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PREFACE.

The second edition of the present work had become unobtainable for the last two years, but having other works on hand, I was not able to take up the work of revising it for a fresh edition till February last, although my publishers were pressingly after me, there being a demand for copies of the book from the different parts of India; and in issuing this new edition I have tried to revise it as thoroughly as the short time at my disposal allowed me to do it. Several better readings have been adopted in the text and improvements made in the commentary; copious additions have also been made in the notes; a new Index of important words in the text has been added; while the Introduction has been entirely recast, so as to increase its usefulness to the reader, by making it accord with new information about the work brought to light in recent times. The somewhat extensive summary of the stories has been replaced by a very brief one, as the former was unnecessary, now that a full translation has been added at the end. The translation appended to the last edition, which was originally prepared by one of my friends, was found to be much free, but was printed then with some alterations here and there; it has now been carefully revised, in some parts almost rewritten, so as to make it quite literal and better suited to the requirements of the University student. In all this work of revision I derived considerable assistance from the editions of Messrs. Agashe and Gajendra-gadkar, to whom my best thanks are due. Any suggestions &c. as regards further improvements will be cordially welcomed.

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Preface to the Fourth Edition

The present edition is a reprint of the Third edition which was unobtainable for last several years. My thanks are due to Shri Sundarlal Jain of M/s. Motilal Banarsidass who gladly undertook publication of this work of my father late Shri M. R. Kale, in a short time, to meet the needs of needy students.

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INTRODUCTION.

I. THE SANSKRIT PROSE ROMANCE.

IS THE *DAS'AKUMĀRACHARITA* AN *A'KHYA'YIKA*?

Poetry in Sanskrit, from its inherent nature, as apart from its intrinsic merit, is divided into two kinds, दृश्य (what is capable of being seen or exhibited on the stage), and श्रव्य (what can only be heard or read); the drama falls under the first division, while all other literary works would be grouped under the second. There is, however, another principle of division, which takes into account the *form*, and not the subject-matter, of a work; according to that, poetry is divided into three principal classes, गद्य (prose), पद्य (verse) and मिश्र¹ (mixed). पद्य is all-predominant in Sanskrit literature, while गद्य and मिश्र compositions form but a small portion of it. गद्य is found employed chiefly in the writing of commentaries and similar works, and is rarely utilized for the creation of imaginative literature, whence arises the extreme paucity of prose romances in Sanskrit. Indeed, excepting four, viz., *Vāsavadattā*, *Harshacharita*, *Kādambarī*, and *Das'akumāracharita*, none of them are well-known, and the total number of those which are extant would barely exceed a dozen. According to Sanskrit rhetoricians, they fall into two² classes, the कथा and the आख्यायिका. As regards the exact demarcation between the two, however, there does not appear to be any unanimity. The *Agnipurāṇa* defines these as follows:—

कर्तृवंशप्रशंसा श्यायत्र गद्येन विस्तरात् ।
कन्याहरणसंग्रामविप्रलम्भविपत्तयः ॥
भवन्ति यत्र दीप्ताश्च रीतिवृत्तिप्रवृत्तयः ।
उच्छ्वासैश्च परिच्छेदो यत्र सा चूर्णिकोत्तरा ॥
वक्त्रचापरवक्त्र वा यत्र साऽऽख्यायिका मती ॥

1 Under this head come the *Champūs*, and also the dramas (in which the dialogue is carried on in prose interspersed with metrical stanzas).

2 The *Agnipurāṇa* gives five classes, viz. आख्यायिका, कथा, स्वपदकथा, परिकथा and कथानिका; but it will be seen that the last three are merely minor varieties of the broader division कथा.

श्लोकेः स्वशं संक्षेपात्कविर्यत्र प्रशंसति
 मुख्यार्थस्यावताराय भवेद्यत्र कथान्तरम् ॥
 परिच्छेदो न यत्र स्याद्भवेद्वा लम्बकेः कश्चित् ।
 सा कथा... ॥ (Adh. 337, Śl. 13-17).

While the rhetorician Bhāmaha practically lays stress on the same points :—

प्रकृतानाकुलश्रव्यशब्दार्थपदवृत्तिना ।
 गणेन युक्तोदात्तार्था सोच्छ्वासाऽऽख्यायिका मता ॥
 वृत्तमाख्यायते तस्या नायकेन स्वचेष्टितम् ।
 वक्त्रं चापरवक्त्रं च काले भाव्यर्थशंसि च ॥.....
 कन्याहरणसंप्रामविप्रलम्भोदयान्विता ।
 न वक्त्रापरवक्त्राभ्यां युक्ता नोच्छ्वासवत्यपि ॥
 संस्कृतं संस्कृता चेष्टा कथाऽपभ्रंशभाषया ।
 अन्यैः स्वचरितं तस्या नायकेन तु नोच्यते ॥ (I. 25-29).

From these old definitions it appears that (i) The आख्यायिका contains a detailed account of the poet's family in *prose*, while in the कथा the same is briefly narrated in *verse*. (ii) The आख्यायिका is devoted to the description of topics like the kidnapping of girl-brides, battles, the hero's separation from his beloved and other calamities that befall him; the कथा is silent about such things. (iii) In the आख्यायिका the story is put in the mouth of the hero himself; in the कथा it is narrated by persons other than the hero. (iv) The chapters into which an आख्यायिका is divided are called उच्छ्वासः. A कथा is generally not divided into chapters; if so divided at all, they are there called लम्बकाः. (v) In an आख्यायिका there are embedded stanzas in the वक्त्र and the अपरवक्त्र metres, suggestive of future events; in a कथा they are conspicuous by their absence.

Dandin, who in his *Kāvyaḍāraśa* discusses these details, considers the distinctions to be arbitrary, unsatisfactory and unsound, and holds that कथा and आख्यायिका, being indistinguishable, are but two names for the same species of composition.³ "Prose (गद्य) is a series of words not written in

३ अपवादः पदसंतानो गद्यमाख्यायिका कथा । इति तस्य प्रमेयौ द्वौ तथोदात्तार्थायिका किल ॥ नायकेनेव वाच्याऽन्या नायकेनेतरेण वा । स्वगुणा-
 विष्क्रियादोषो नात्र सूतार्थशंसिनः ॥ अपि स्वनियमो दृष्टस्तत्राप्यन्यैरुदीरणात् ।
 अन्यो वक्ता स्वयं वेति कीदृश्या मेदलक्षणञ्च ॥ वक्त्रं चापरवक्त्रं च सोच्छ्वासस्य

measured lines ; its two classes are said to be the आख्यायिका and the कथा. Now (it has been laid down that) the आख्यायिका should be spoken (narrated) by the hero, and the कथा either by the hero or some one else..... But we find that this rule is not rigidly observed, since even in an आख्यायिका the story is found to be told by another. In sooth, whether another is the speaker, or one's own self, seems to be a very strange basis for discrimination..... Therefore the कथा and the आख्यायिका are one category marked with a double name, and herein are comprised all the other categories of tales " This opinion of Dandin is valuable, for as the author of prose romances himself he must have known well what he was writing about. Moreover, a far larger number of works of the कथा and the आख्यायिका type must have been accessible to him than are to be found now ; but even among those he must have been unable to discover entire consonance with the definitions. The student will note that the *Das'akumāra-charita* itself agrees strictly with neither of the definitions (of the *Agnipurāṇa* or *Bhāmaha*). Thus, taking in order the five points of distinction recorded above, (i) one finds no mention of the poet's family anywhere in the work ; (ii) from the nature of the topics included in it, the *Das'ak.* would appear to be an आख्यायिका ; (iii) but, since the story is not narrated exclusively by the hero, it would come to be classed as a कथा ; (iv) from its division into उच्छ्वास, it is entitled to be designated as an आख्यायिका ; (v) but then again, the absence of the stanzas in the वक्र and the अपरवक्र metres would seem to point to its being a कथा. One is, therefore, inclined to agree with Dandin, that these distinctions, not being supported by sufficient evidence, must be abandoned as untenable ; the *Das'ak.* would thus be simply called a गद्य काव्य (a prose romance), as neither of the titles आख्यायिका and कथा would properly apply to it.

In spite of the scathing criticism passed on it by Dandin, the traditional division into आख्यायिका and कथा, made by the older writers, continued to be accepted by their

च भेदकम् । चिह्नमाख्यायिकायाश्चेत्यसङ्केतः कथास्वापि ॥ आर्यादिबन्धवैशः किं न वक्रापरवक्रयोः । भेदश्च दृष्टो लम्बादिरुच्छ्वासो वाऽस्तु किं ततः ॥ तत्कथा-
ऽऽख्यायिकेत्येका जपतिः संज्ञादयाङ्किता । अत्रैवान्तर्भविष्यन्ति शेषाश्चाख्यान-
जातयः ॥ कन्याहरणेन संग्रामविपलम्भोदयादयः । सर्गबन्धसमा एव नैते
वैशेषिका गुणाः ॥ कविभावकृतं चिह्नमन्यत्रापि न द्रुष्यति । मुखमिष्टार्थसंसिद्धौ
किं हि न स्यात्कृतात्मनाम् ॥ Kāvya, I. 23-30.

successors, among whom may be reckoned Rudraṭa, A'nandavardhana, Abhinavagupta, Vidyānātha and others. But even they do not agree as regards the details. Thus the author of the *Alaṃkārasaṃgraha* states⁴ that an A'khyāyikā is based on historical facts, while a Kathā has a purely fictitious plot. This particular distinction, which is not to be found in the Agnipurāṇa or Bhāmaha, appears to have been deduced from a study of Bāṇa's Harshacharita and Kādambarī, the two standard models of prose romances available to later writers. Similarly, A'nandavardhana, the author of the Dhvanyāloka, has introduced a new matter of detail. Daṇḍin had already laid down that an abundance of compounds constituted *the very life* of prose (भोजः समास-भूयस्त्वमेतद्गद्यस्य जीवितम् । Kāvya. I. 80). He recognized varieties of compounds, as consisting of short vowels and long vowels in ratios of greater and less inequality (cf. तद्—i. e. समासभूयस्त्व—युरूपां लघूनां च ब्राह्मल्याल्पस्वविभक्तैः । उच्चा-वचप्रकारं तद् इदमस्याख्ययिकादिषु ॥ Kāvya. I. 81). A'nandavardhana laid down certain restrictions⁵ in the use of long compounds; but in doing so he seems to be giving his own opinion and not to be following any older authority. The last important writer on poetics is Viśvanātha, who composed the *Sāhityadarpaṇa* in the fifteenth century; herein we find the following:—

कथायां सरसं वस्तु गयेरेव विनिर्मितम् ।

कचिदत्र भवेदार्था कचिद्वक्त्रापवक्रकं ॥

आदौ पद्येनमस्कारः खलदेवैर्बुक्तकीर्तनम् ।

आख्यायिका कथावत्स्यात्कवेर्वैशानुकीर्तनम् ॥

अस्यामन्यकवीनां च वृत्तं पर्य कचिक्कचित् ।

कथाशानां व्यवच्छेद आश्वास इति बध्यते ॥

आर्यावक्त्रापवक्राणां छन्दसा येन केनचित् ।

अन्यापदेशेनाश्वासमुखे भाव्यर्थसूचनम् ॥ (Pari. VI.)

"In a Kathā a charming plot is composed in prose, which is interspersed with stanzas in the A'rya', Vaktra, and Aparavaktra metres; in the beginning there should be a salutation to a deity, a description of the nature of villains, &c.

4 कथा कल्पितवृत्तान्ता सत्यार्थोऽऽख्यायिका मता । According to this, the Daśakamāracharita would be a Kathā.

5 आख्यायिकायां तु भूमा मध्यमसमासादीर्घसमासे एव संपद्यते ।.....अति-दीर्घसमासा रचना न विप्रलम्भशृङ्गारकरुणयोः आख्यायिकायामपि शोभते । &c. Dhvanyāloka, pp. 143-144 (Nirṇay. Ed.).

An A'khyāyikā is like a Kathā. [In addition] it should include a genealogical account of the poet's family and also of other poets; verses may occur in it at intervals. Its chapters are called A'svāsas, and these should contain introductory verses suggestive of the future incidents of the story." These definitions read like echoes of older ones, but they do not help to clear the confusion; their reliability is further vitiated by the introduction of the term *āśvāsa*,⁶ which we do not meet with anywhere else. Scholars who are disposed to describe the *Das'akumāracharita* as an A'khyāyikā might also note that *not in a single particular* does it strictly conform to the definition of the *Sāhityadarpana*. We are thus finally brought to adhere still more closely to the view of Daṇḍin, that the terms A'khyāyikā and Kathā lack fixity of discrimination. They should really be treated as synonyms for what is known as *काव्य* kāvya, any further distinction being otiose.⁷

II. THE POET.

(1) THE IDENTITY OF DANDIN.

All students of Sanskrit literature are familiar with the difficulties which beset the path of the earnest inquirer after truth in the matter of the chronology and the personal history of Sanskrit writers, not excluding such famous names as Bhāsa and Kālidāsa. There is little to be found by way of data from contemporary records, and many of our conclusions are at best surmises based on scraps of information collected from various sources, such as inscriptions, or quotations, or casual references in other works. The case of Daṇḍin is no exception to the general rule. By tradition he is credited with the authorship of the *Das'akumāracharita* and the *Kāvya'dars'a*, and in the very beginning of our further search after information concerning him, we are confronted with the possibility of there being more writers than one who

6 This may, however, be a mislection for उच्छ्वास.

7 Cf. Keith, *Classical Sanskrit Literature* (p. 72)—"The distinction between A'khyāyikā and Kathā is presented to us in a puzzling confusion in the writers on poetics, explaining and justifying in large measure the refusal of Daṇḍin in his *Kāvya'dars'a* to have anything to do with the distinction." (The Italics are ours).

bore the name Daṇḍin; and when we bear in mind that there have been really more than one Ka'lida'sa, and as many as five Śrī-Harsha's, the existence of different authors who were all known as Daṇḍin does not seem to be so very improbable. And so we find Mr. Agashe, the learned editor of the *Das'ak* in the Bombay Sanskrit Series, propounding a theory that there must have existed at least *three* different writers named Daṇḍin:—(i) the poet Daṇḍin whose works are no longer extant; (ii) the critic Daṇḍin, better known as A'chārya-Daṇḍin, the author of the *Ka'vya'dars'a*, a manual of rhetorics and poetics; and (iii) Daṇḍin the creator of the prose romance *Das'akumāracharita*. We might state at the outset that we are unable to agree with Mr. Agashe, nor has his theory yet found acceptance among Indian or Western scholars of note. We shall briefly discuss below, in order, the chief points raised by him.

(i) Mr. Agashe refers to a tradition about Daṇḍin having been a contemporary of Ka'lida'sa (for which see our next Section), and their rivalry as *poets*; this, coupled with the fact that there are stanzas attributed to a *poet* Daṇḍin in the various Sanskrit anthologies, and *Suhāśhitas*³ eulogistic of Daṇḍin the poet, leads him to assume the existence of a *poet* Daṇḍin, since in his opinion the authors of the *Ka'vya'*, and the *Das'ak*., whoever they were, could hardly be designated as poets in the highest sense, and they do not merit such high-flown encomiums as we meet with in references to Daṇḍin. [Mr. Agashe has of course to assume that the works of this Daṇḍin have been lost]. The argument does not seem to us to be convincing. It is true enough that the *Kāvyā'* and the *Das'ak*. do not stand as the highest patterns of poetical excellence. But then, every author is known to have written works of various degrees of excellence and perfection; and secondly, it is equally plausible to urge that the *same* Daṇḍin, whom we know as the author of the *Kāvyā*. and the *Das'ak*., also wrote other works, which are now no longer extant and on which those eulogies could have been based. There is not sufficient

8 *E. G.*, (a) जाते जगति वाल्मीकी कविरित्यभिधाऽभवत् । कवी इति तसौ व्यासे कवयस्त्वयि दण्डिनि ॥ (b) कविर्दण्डी कविर्दण्डी कविर्दण्डी न संशयः ॥ (c) त्रयोऽग्रपद्यो देवाद्यो वेदाद्यो गुणाः । त्रयो दण्डिपद्यश्च त्रिषु लोकेषु विभुताः ॥ (d) उपमा कालिदासस्य भारवेरर्थगौरवम् । दण्डिनः पदलालित्यम्.....॥

ground, in our opinion, to make out the existence of a separate Daṇḍin by following the trail of the single word *Kavi*. (ii) The *Kāvyaḍarsa*'s promulgates and expounds many canons of poetic composition which show that its author had refined notions about style and its functions, and was a literary purist to whom impropriety of diction or of matter was an abhorrence. Now it is an admitted fact that the style⁹ of the *Das'ak*, offends against some of the rules¹⁰ of the *Kāvya'*, and that its stories, as the student will find later, are not all of them in the best taste, nor is their moral tone very high. (iii) So Mr. Agashe tries to distinguish the two authors, calling one A'cha'rya-Daṇḍin, as he is found styled in the colophon of the *Ka'vya'*, and the other simply Daṇḍin. The distinction is in our opinion unsound and futile, for the apparent disparity in the standard displayed by the two works can be very easily explained by supposing that the *Das'ak* is the work of Daṇḍin as a young man, naturally taking a spectator's interest in the follies of youth, and also not perfect in the art of immaculate composition; riper studies in the realm of literary criticism must have led him, at a later date, to compose the *Ka'vya'*. Mr. Agashe appears to have assumed that the *Das'ak* must have been written *after* the *Ka'vya'* and therefore he finds it difficult to believe that it proceeded from the pen of the accomplished critic who wrote that manual as a *Mirror of Poetic Composition*. Such an assumption, however,

9 Instances of Daṇḍin's laxness in grammar and idiom will be found in a later Section. Mr. Agashe specifically notes only one rule of the *Kāvya'* which is violated in the *Das'ak*, viz. ओजः समासश्च यस्येतद् गयस्य जीवितम् (I. 80). It is true that the *Das'ak* does not abound in compounds to the same extent as, for instance, Ba'ṇa's *Kādambarī* does; indeed, its use of compounds seems to be quite normal, and certainly not भ्रूयन्, if we are to interpret the canon literally.

10 Thus the verse स्वामयमावद्धाञ्जलि दासजनस्तमिममर्थमर्थयते । स्वपिहि मया सह सुरतस्यतिकरस्त्रिजैव मा मेवम् ॥ (see p. 99)—is clearly against the principle enunciated in the *Ka'vy'* in the words कामं सर्वोऽप्यलंकारो रसमर्थे निबिञ्चति । तथाऽप्यग्राभ्यतैर्वैर्न भारुं वहति भूयसा ॥ कस्ये कामयमानं मां न त्वं कामयसे कथम् । इति ग्राम्योऽयमर्थोऽस्मा वैरस्याय प्रकल्पते ॥ (I. 62-63). The *Ka'vya'* is down upon all vulgarity and indelicacy (*cf.* शब्देऽपि ग्राम्यताऽस्त्येव सा सम्भेतरकीर्तनात् । I. 65), while the *Das'ak* is a frequent offender in this respect (see pp. 115, 167 &c.)

is entirely unwarranted, and need not be accepted in the absence of any definite evidence. Moreover, even if the Ka'vya' were the earlier production of the two, we know how difficult it is to practise what one believes in and preaches; and Daṇḍin the theorist might be excused for his comparative failure as an author when he assumed the rôle of the romancist. So the three different names merge into one personality; and in this connexion it is interesting to note, as has been pointed out by Mr. Agashe himself, that the poetess Gaṅgādevī, in her *Madhurāvijaya* (I. 10), describes A'charya-Daṇḍin as a *poet* of a very high order (आचार्यदण्डिनो वाचामाचाम्नामृतसंपदाम् । विकासो ब्रह्मसः पद्म्या विलासमणिदर्पणम् ॥); thus even Indian tradition is against the separation of the poet Daṇḍin from A'charya-Daṇḍin. Indeed, the case for the plurality of Daṇḍins is so weak, and the evidence adduced so slight and so controversial, that Mr. Agashe himself felt compelled to regard his theory as not quite well established; to quote his own words, he left it to "await further research." But no additional facts have been brought to light in support of his hypothesis, which still remains unproved.

(2) THE PERSONAL HISTORY OF DANDIN.

Like most Sanskrit writers, Daṇḍin has observed a complete silence about himself in his works, nor are any reliable biographical details of him available, contemporary or otherwise. Indian scholars do not appear to have attached much importance to the historial side of literature, and consequently there is usually an entire lack of information about the life of any poet whom one may wish to study. The only sources of direct information open to us are certain traditions, current among Pandits, which are interesting in themselves but are of no historical value whatever. Thus it is related in the *Kavi-charitra*, about our poet, that on one occasion Sarasvatī, the goddess of learning, manifested herself in the form of a beautiful damsel playing with a ball (*Kanduka*), when looking at her Daṇḍin said:—

एकोऽपि त्रय इव भाति कन्दुकोऽयं कान्तायाः करतलरागरकरक्तः ।

सुप्तौ तच्चरणनखाद्युगैरगैरः सस्यः सस्यनमरीचिनीलनीलः ॥

"It appears as if there are three balls, though there is really one; (when just in contact with her palm) it appears bright-red, being tinged with the redness of the palm of that beautiful

lady; when fallen on the ground, the same appears white by the lustre of the rays of her nails; and when in air it looks charmingly blue by the rays darting from her dark-blue eyes."

Bhavabhūti described the incident in these lines—

विदितं ननु कन्दुक ते हृदयं दयिताधरसंगमलुब्ध इव ।

वनिताकरतामरसाभिहतः पतितः पतितः पुनरुत्पतसि ॥

"Indeed, O ball, I know thy heart. Though repeatedly beaten by the lotus-like hand of the lady and falling to the ground, thou, as if covetous of the contact of (=wishing to kiss) the lower lip of the damsel, reboundest again and again."

While Kālidāsa composed the following—

पयोधराकारधरो हि कन्दुकः करेण रोषादभिहृष्यते मुहुः॥

इतीव नेत्राकृतिभीतमुत्पलं स्त्रियाः प्रसादाय पपात पादयोः ॥

"The lotus (from the braid of the hair) fell at the feet of the lady to implore her favour, being as it were terrified at its resemblance to her eyes, when it saw that the ball was again and again beaten with the hand, through anger caused by its assuming the form of her breasts."

This tradition represents the three poets as contemporaries, which of course is not possible. Its only value seems to us to lie in those three *s'lokas*, in which the three peculiar characteristics of the style of each poet are clearly indicated, viz. the jingling consonance of alliterative syllables (of Daṇḍin), the ability to make the sound an echo to the sense (of Bhavabhūti), and the cleverness in the handling of the *Utprekṣā* Figure (of Kālidāsa).

Another tradition is found in the *Bhoja-prabandha*, which is a comparatively modern work of one Balla'la in which almost all the well-known Sanskrit poets are described as being contemporaries at the court of one king Bhoja of Ma'lvā'. It is a production which contains many curious stories and interesting stanzas, but it has no historical value whatever, since some of the poets whom it quotes (*e. g.* Ba'ṇa, Bhavabhūti and Kālidāsa) have been shown, on independent grounds, to have lived at different periods. Even the commentator Mallinātha, who lived so late after Kālidāsa, is described therein as a court-poet of king Bhoja ! The work is thus utterly unreliable in fixing the date of Daṇḍin, though in the early days of Sanskrit scholarship

Prof. Wilson tried to prove, on its authority, that Daṇḍin lived at the court of Bhoja in the tenth century A. D. It records an interesting case of what is known as *Samasyā-pūraṇa*, in which the three poets Bhavabhūti, Daṇḍin and Ka'lidāsa composed respectively the first three lines of a śloka descriptive of early dawn, king Bhoja himself having first supplied the fourth—(भृ०) अरुणकिरणजालैरन्तरिक्षे गतर्क्षे, (वृ०) चलति शिशिरवाते मन्दमन्दं प्रमते। (कालि०) युवतिजनकदम्बे नाय-मुकौष्ठम्बिने, (भोज०) चरमगिरिनितम्बे चन्द्रबिम्बं ललम्बे ॥ But, beyond giving us a charming verse, this account adds nothing to our knowledge of the poet.

A third tradition narrates that on one occasion, when the rivalry between Daṇḍin and Ka'lidāsa rose to a high pitch, Sarasvatī appeared on the scene in person and gave her opinion in the words—“कविर्दण्डी, कविर्दण्डी, कविर्दण्डी न संशयः.” On this, Kālidāsa, who fancied himself as her special protégé, grew wrathful and asked her who *he* was, when the goddess pacified him by declaring that he was her own self in another form—“कोऽहं ब्रूहि तदा मूढे”—“त्वमेवाहं न संशयः.” As we have noted above, such traditions cannot be relied upon in fixing the chronology of Sanskrit authors. On the contrary, they serve to deepen the mist, caused by the absence of history, that hangs over Sanskrit literature, and to make confusion worse confounded. The only purpose they may be said to serve is that they show in what great esteem our poet was held by ancient Pandits, who thought him a worthy rival of the illustrious Kālidāsa.

Efforts have been made to deduce some imaginary facts concerning the poet's life from his name ‘Daṇḍin,’ which signifies a *Samnyāsin*; thus it is suggested that the poet, whose real name has been lost to us, was endowed with this *sobriquet*, when, after having tasted the bitter-sweet cup of youthful pleasures, he turned a recluse and put on the garb of an ascetic.¹¹ Prof. Wilson also hazards a similar, though not exactly the same, conjecture. He

11 Such fanciful explanations of proper names are not uncommon. Thus the commentator Vīraṅghraṇa narrates how the poet Bhavabhūti got his name as a result of his having composed a verse in which the word भवभूति occurred. *Vide* p. 15 of our Introduction to the Uttara.

says—"The very name of the author suggests an uncertainty. Daṇḍin properly designates a 'staff-bearer,' but is commonly applied to a sect of religious mendicants...who are so termed because they carry a slender *daṇḍa* or wand. Many of the order have been literary characters; and it is not impossible that one of them may have amused his leisure with inventing the stories in question, however inconsistent with his religious meditations. The work would thus be of a Daṇḍī, not of Daṇḍi; but it is not generally so considered, Daṇḍī being ordinarily regarded, in this instance at least, as a proper name, and associated with the usual honorary prefix, as Śrī-Daṇḍin.'" Such suggestions, however, lack corroborative evidence, and are obviously attempts to twist the name of the poet so as to make it yield some meaning and then to invent a network of plausible circumstances around that meaning. Under these conditions we are finally left to gather what information we can from a study of the poet's own works; they contain no autobiographical matter, but still we may glean here and there a few facts, and draw some legitimate inferences therefrom, which are after all more reliable than a host of fanciful *dantakathās*.

Reading the *Das'ak*, and the *Kāvya*, in this light, we can guess with some certainty that Daṇḍin was a Dākṣhiṇātya, probably a native of the Vidarbha country, as he speaks proudly of the Mahārāṣṭrī language and praises the Vaidarbhi style of writing (see *Kāvya*. I. 34, 41-42). Cockfights, as has been pointed out by Mr. Agashe, were a common diversion in South India; the very vivid description of one in the *Das'ak*. (pp. 143-144) seems to lend certainty to his being a southerner, a conclusion which is also supported by such definite expressions as कवेरीतीरपवन (p. 159), and by his references to Kaliṅga and A'ndhra. Further, the story of Gominī in the sixth Uchchh. is so realistic in all its details and gives such a minute description of economic housekeeping in Southern India—which is found unchanged even in our own times—that it could only have been written by one thoroughly at home with the habits of the people of South India. It appears that our author must have lived in affluent circumstances and had drunk deep at the fountain of worldly pleasures, as is evident from his life-like

and intimate descriptions of royal palaces¹² and wealthy courtesans. His descriptions of gambling bouts and cockfights, of journeys through forests, and of adventures among thieves and marauders, show that he had seen life in all its shades of grave and gay. We do not know anything of his religious beliefs, as he never discusses such topics; the introductory stanza to the *Das'ak*. is in praise of Viṣṇu; but this alone cannot prove him to have been a worshipper of that deity, since there is reason to believe that the stanza is not from the pen of Daṇḍin (as the student will find later on). From the clear vein of erotism that runs throughout the *Das'ak*., it seems that our author was well-read in the *Kāma-Sūtra* of Vātsyāyana; while his detailed references to the science of politics in Uchchh. VIII. show that he had closely studied the *Artha-S'āstra* of Kauṭilya, the standard text-book on ancient Hindu Polity.

Quite recently (in 1924) there has been published in South India a fragment of a Sanskrit prose romance entitled the *Avantisundarī-kathā*, which is ascribed to Daṇḍin. Its learned editor, Mr. M. R. Kavi, M. A., to whom credit is due for having brought to light such an important work, accepts its authorship of Daṇḍin, whom he considers identical with the author of the *Das'ak*. The romance *Avantisundarīkathā* has been discovered in fragmentary and worm-eaten MSS.; it is full of lacunæ, and the fragment extends to only about 25 printed pages. We shall refer to it again later on, but we may say here that there appears to be no objection to accept Mr. Kavi's identification tentatively, although corroborative evidence on this topic is certainly needed. The *Kāthā* is accompanied by a metrical *Kathā-sāra*, probably by Daṇḍin himself; here we find several entirely new items of information about our poet and his genealogy, and also about a number of other poets who were his predecessors. According to this account, a family of Bra'hmanas of the Kauśika gotra, originally residing at Ānandapura (in Gujarat), migrated later to Ahalapura

12 There is a tradition current that Daṇḍin composed the *Kāvyā*. as a manual for the use of a prince to whom he was a tutor. There is nothing improbable in such a tradition, but we are afraid we must class it among those which are not supported by any direct evidence. The only argument advanced is the use of the word कव्य twice in the *Kāvyā*. (I. 5, II. 172); but not much can be made out of such a casual reference.

(modern Ellichpur in the Berars). There one Nārāyaṇa-Svāmī had a son called Dāmodara *alias* Bhāravi (the author of the *Kirātārjunīya*). Bhāravi was a friend of king Durvīṇṭa, a Western Gaṅga prince in exile whose date is given as about 570 A. D.; he was later a court-poet of the Pallava King Simhaviṣṇu of Kāñchī (Conjeeveram). Bhāravi's son was Manoratha, who had a son named Viradatta; the last married Gaurī, and to them was born Daṇḍin, who is thus the great-grandson of Bhāravi. Daṇḍin lost both his parents when he was quite young; afterwards, when the Chālukyas invaded Kāñchī, he had to flee from home and become an exile. He travelled extensively over the whole of India, and after the Pallavas had re-established themselves at Kāñchī he came back, after a period of twelve years, and maintained the "literary prestige of his ancestors" at the court of the Pallavas. Here he composed the *Avantisundarī Kathā*, which was revealed to him, as is related, by divine favour. This account, if true, opens up for the first time several new avenues of inquiry which strictly lie within the province of the antiquary. At present it stands alone; probably there may be fresh discoveries of hitherto lost works, which may strengthen these facts. Until such come to light, however, we may note down the above details as tentatively true, especially as they do not contradict any known particulars about Daṇḍin; on the contrary, they lend support to the inference about Daṇḍin being a native of South India and a person in affluent circumstances, while the date they ascribe to Daṇḍin (about 650 A. D.) is not far removed from that arrived at by other means.

(3) THE DATE OF DAṆḌIN.

The determination of Daṇḍin's date is a problem which is still enveloped in the mist of controversy. The late Prof. Wilson, who was the first scholar who gave attention to this subject, was of opinion that the author of the *Daśak* flourished in the latter part of the eleventh century, or the first part of the twelfth. He based his conclusion on two points of internal evidence. He laid great stress first on the allusions to the *Yavanas* in the body of the work, and secondly on the mention of the race of Bhoja in the beginning of the eighth Uchchhvāsa. As the *Yavanas* are mentioned only as merchants or navigators or pirates, in which capacity the

Arabs were likely to have been known to the Hindus before the Mahomedan conquest, Prof. Wilson considered the fact as suggesting that the work was composed before the advent of the Mahomedans. Further, since in the last Uchch' hvāsa a king of the race of Bhoja is introduced wherein his grandfather Punyavarman is spoken of in terms of high praise, it implied, in Prof. Wilson's opinion, the previous existence of king Bhoja; and as the special mention of the race is intended to be complimentary to the scions of the same, he inferred that Daṇḍin flourished at the court of one of the immediate descendants of king Bhoja who, as he held, ruled in the latter part of the tenth century. Now, these arguments have become antiquated, as they have been shown to be thoroughly unsound. The evidence afforded by the term *Yavana* is purely negative, and only shows that the work was composed *some time before* the Mahomedan conquest; how long, one cannot say. The meaning attached to the word *Yavana* may also be disputed, since in ancient Sanskrit works it is found applied to many different tribes of non-Hindu foreigners or Mlechohhas, and to the Ionians or Greeks. Regarding the inference drawn from the mention of king Bhoja, it may be pointed out that Bhoja is a family name; kings of the race of Bhoja are referred to by Kālidāsa and also in the Mahābhārata, and it is impossible to say with certainty which particular king the author of the Daśak. had in his mind. Prof. Wilson seems to have been misled by the tradition that made king Bhoja the patron of Daṇḍin; the tradition is taken from the *Bhoja-prabandha*, which, as we have shown above, has no historical value, the work being a hotch-potch of miscellaneous literary anecdotes quite unreliable in character. It is evident, therefore, that we must seek elsewhere for the data concerning Daṇḍin's date.

It is generally admitted that of the two older writers on *Alamkāra*, Daṇḍin and Vāmana, Vāmana came later and Daṇḍin was his predecessor.¹³ Vāmana has been placed in the latter

13 We need not go here into the question of examining in detail the arguments by which this conclusion has been arrived at, as it more strictly falls within the province of the historian of Alamkāra literature. Similarly, we need not discuss the relationship of the writings of the rhetorician Bhāmaha with our author's Kāvya, since the date of Bhāmaha himself is yet unsettled, and nothing can be profitably adduced in support of Daṇḍin's time, even if we succeeded in showing that Bhāmaha preceded him.

half of the eighth century; Dandin, therefore, must be placed earlier than that. This fixes the *latest date* that can be assigned to our author, and finally disposes of the attempt of Wilson to place him two centuries later. The *earliest limit* is established by the fact that his Kāvya. refers by name (महाराष्ट्राभ्यां भाषां प्रकृष्टं प्राकृतं विदुः। सागरः सूक्तिरन्नानां सेतुबन्धादि यन्मयम् ॥ I. 34) to the Prākṛit poem *Setubandha* of king Pravarasena, who lived in the fifth century. But between these two limits of 500 A. D. and 800 A. D., it has not yet been possible to fix an *absolutely definite* date for our author, for lack of sufficient evidence. Attempts have been made to draw some tangible conclusions from the state of Hindu society depicted in the Das'ak., but they fail to prove anything definite. The social manners,* customs and conditions depicted by Dandin, in which gamblers and courtesans play such an important part, seem to resemble those we find portrayed in the Mṛich. They do not, therefore, assist us in placing the composition of the Das'ak in any particular century, since it is a patent fact that Hindu society remained unchanged in its outward aspects, both grave and gay, during the first thousand years or so of the Christian era. Similarly, nothing can be argued from the political and geographical divisions of India referred to by Dandin, since all that can be said of them is that they belong to a period prior to the Mahomedan conquest; but how much prior, we cannot say.

If, however, we judge from the internal evidence of style, we think there will be found good grounds for placing him towards the end of the sixth century, before the time of Bāṇa, or at the most in the first half of the seventh century, as a contemporary of Bāṇa. The comparative ease and simplicity of the diction of the Das'ak. precludes the possibility of its belonging to the school of Bāṇa, as it shows no traces of the influence of the extravagant puns, immoderate conceits, and interminable compounds of that author. In its absence of artificiality, and directness of expression, the Das'ak. resembles the works of Kālidāsa or Bhāravi much more than those of Bāṇa or the later writers, to whom **s'lesha*, *vakrokti* and such-like figures were the very life and soul of ornate prose. To Dandin the life and soul of good prose was a profusion of compounds, and nothing more (*cf.* ओजः समासयुत-

सम्भवेत्तद्व्यस्य जीवितम् । Kāvya. I. 80). He appears to have been one of the pioneers who introduced the new style of writing. Of the three romantic prose compositions, the *Das'ak.*, the *Kādambarī* and the *Vāsavadattā*, the *Das'ak.* seems to be the earliest production. The style of Subandhu and Bāṇa is more artificial and elaborate; that of Daṇḍin is not often of a high poetical elevation, as he does not aim to produce a work purely poetical but to offer an example of classical prose composition written in a language simple, elegant and intelligible. Our author belonged to that period of Sanskrit literature when style was in a transitional state, being developed from the simple to the complex and the elaborate. Had Daṇḍin lived after Bāṇa, his work could not but have received some tinge from the writings of his predecessor. His description of *Rājahansa*, of the Hero and Heroine, of the education of Prince *Rājavāhana* &c., could not have been so tame, terse and unornamental as it is. Hence we consider that there are reasonable grounds for placing our author before Bāṇa and Subandhu. It is not possible to judge, however, as to exactly what period separated Daṇḍin from Bāṇa; perhaps they might even have been contemporaries, one writing in the south and the other in the north. Thus approximately Daṇḍin's date may be held to lie somewhere between 550 A. D. and 650 A. D.

Recently Mr. Agashe, the editor of the *Das'ak.*, who tries to distinguish the author of the *Kāvya*, from the author of the *Das'ak.*, has endeavoured to show that the latter wrote in the eleventh or the twelfth century of the Christian era. His principal argument is that the *Das'ak.* is not quoted or referred to by any Sanskrit writer earlier than the tenth century. To quote his own words¹⁴: "What is more pertinent to our present inquiry is the question whether any trace of the *Das'ak.* is found in Nṛpatuṅga's work. Prof. Pathak refers to Nṛpatuṅga's extolling Bāṇa's two works, *Harshacharita* and *Kādambarī*, as masterpieces of Sanskrit prose. But there is absolutely no mention of the prose work of a Sanskrit author [viz. Daṇḍin] from whom he has borrowed so much in his own work... Is it possible that Nṛpatuṅga knew not the *Das'ak.*, or if he did, did he deliberately ignore it? Neither of the two

14 See his Introduction, p. xxxvi. Nṛpatuṅga was a Kanarese writer who composed the *Kavi-rāja-mārga*, which is a work on *Alaṃkāra*, and to which Mr. Agashe refers.

inferences is, we think, justified. To us it appears more likely that the *Das'ak.* was [then] simply non-existent. This absence of any mention in *Nṛpatuṅga's* work should also suffice to dispose of the argument that this work was perhaps an earlier production." But Mr. Agashe is here arguing by relying on merely negative evidence, which is an unsound principle in the conduct of controversies, unless it is supported by collateral circumstances. Writers on rhetorics or other critics are not bound to quote each and every book they are acquainted with, but only a selection of such as they find particularly helpful or suggestive, or otherwise deserving of mention. If anything is to be insisted upon, we can at the most say that the absence of any mention of the *Das'ak.* before the tenth century shows that the *Das'ak.* may not have become so very popular till then, and not that it "did not exist." Scholars are well aware of the fallacy underlying such an *argumentum ex silentio*; who will venture to urge, for instance, that because *Bāṇa* in the introductory verses of his *Harsha-charita* has not mentioned the *Rāmāyaṇa*, therefore the latter did not exist in his time? Mr. Agashe has placed the *Kāvya-dars'a* in the latter half of the seventh century, and we have shown previously that there are no reasons for rejecting the the common authorship of the *Kāvya.* and the *Das'ak.* Mr. Agashe's date is based on two assumptions:—(i) that *Dandin* in *Kāvya.* III. 114 (नासिक्यमद्या परितश्चतुर्वर्णविभूषिता । अस्ति काचिसुरी यस्यामष्टवर्णाद्व्या नृपाः ॥) is referring to the town of *Kāñchi* or *Conjeeveram* and its kings of the *Pallava Dynasty*; (ii) and that the King *Rājavarman* (or *Rātavarman*) mentioned in *Kāvya.* II. 279 (इति साक्षात्कृते देवे राज्ञो यद्राजवर्मणः । &c.) is identical with a certain *Pallava* prince who ruled over *Kāñchi* in South India in the latter half of the seventh century. Unfortunately, however, the existence of a king of that name has not at all been proved; it is the result of mere conjecture. Another attempt of Mr. Agashe to support this date (*viz.* 650 A. D.) is also equally based on mere conjectural speculation and guess-work. Thus, the *S'ṛṅgadharapaddhati* quotes the verse "नीलोत्पलदलश्यामा विजया मामजानता । इयेव दण्डिता प्रोक्तं सर्व-शुक्ला सरस्वती ॥" as composed by the poetess *Vijjakā*, with reference to the introductory *s'loka* of the *Kāvya-dars'a*. Mr. Agashe has tried to identify this *Vijjakā* with a certain queen *Vijayā* of the *Karnāṭaka*, whose date is given at about 650 A. D.; but it is an attempt based on conjecture. As it is, both the

lines of inquiry pursued by Mr. Agashe converge to the same date (650 A. D.), which is not far removed from the date we ourselves have tentatively offered above. Very recently new light has been shed on this discussion by the discovery of the *Avantisundarikathā* (see *supra*, p. xvi), which seems to strengthen the conclusions of Mr. Agashe. According to that work, Bhāravi flourished at about 570 A. D.; so Daṇḍin, who was Bhāravi's great-grandson, and was a court-poet of the Pallava kings of Kāñchī, will have to be placed at about 650 A. D. This date, if established by further incontestable testimony, will remove once for all the veil of uncertainty hanging over the time when our author lived and composed his works; but for that we must await further research.

(4) THE WORKS OF DANDIN.

There is abundant evidence to show that in the case of many ancient Sanskrit writers known to literary fame, only a few of their productions have survived the lapse of time; the rest have disappeared for ever, except in those rare instances where the ceaseless efforts of scholars have brought to light MSS. of works supposed to have been no longer extant. Something similar has happened in the case of our author, too. Daṇḍin has long been recognized as the author of two works, the *Kāvya*. and the *Daśak*.; but to the question whether he wrote any more, no answer could definitely be made. The question is one of particular importance, for in the *S'ārṅgadhara-paddhati* we have a verse ascribed to Rājas'ekhara which declares that Daṇḍin wrote *three* works, all of them of surpassing literary merit (त्रयोऽमयस्त्रयो देवास्त्रयो वेदास्त्रयो गुणाः। त्रयो दण्डिपद्मश्च त्रिषु लोकेषु विभुताः ॥ Ś.—P. 174). Rājas'ekhara's explicit statement is not one to be easily set aside, and it has called forth a display of considerable ingenuity on the part of scholars who have sought to attribute this or that work to Daṇḍin, as a complement of the triad of which the *Kāvya*. and the *Daśak*. are two. Thus, it was pointed out by some that perhaps the third work was either छन्दोविचिन्ति or कलापरिच्छेद, since in the *Kāvya*. Daṇḍin apparently refers,¹⁵ by

15 Cf. छन्दोविचिन्त्यां सकलस्तत्प्रपञ्चो निदर्शितः। सा विद्या नोस्ति-तीर्षुणा गम्भीरं काव्यसागरम् ॥ I. 12; and इत्थं कलाचतुःषष्टिविरोधः साधु वीर्यताम्। तस्याः कलापरिच्छेदे रूपमाविर्भविव्यति ॥ III. 171.

these titles, to some other compositions. These references, however, read somewhat ambiguous, and do not convince us as to whether Daṇḍin has referred to them as *his own works*, or as some treatises well known to his readers by those names. *Chhandovichiti*, for instance, is a common name for the subject of prosody or any text-book thereon, and might as well apply to the *Chhandahśūtra* of Piṅgala or some similar work. The title *Kalāparichchheda* is still more obscure; perhaps Daṇḍin might have intended to write a *fourth* chapter of his *Kāvya*, bearing that title, in which case it could not count as an independent work, being a part of the *Kāvya* itself. Then the late Prof. Pischel had advanced the somewhat bold theory that the *Mṛichchhakatika* was to be regarded as the missing work of Daṇḍin. His main reasons were two:—(i) that the verse लिम्पतीव तमोऽङ्गानि etc., which occurs in the *Kāvya*. (II. 226), occurs also in the *Mṛich.* (I. 34), pointing to the probability of both the works being by the same author; and (ii) that the state of society depicted in the *Mṛich.* closely resembles that described in the *Das'ak*. But the discovery of the works of Bhāsa, in which the verse लिम्पतीव etc. occurs twice, nullified the former argument; and as regards the latter, it is easy to see how very preposterous it would be to ascribe any two different works to the same writer simply because of the similarity of the society portrayed therein. Prof. Pischel's theory received in fact very little support from scholars, and is now happily consigned to oblivion.¹⁶ Some Pandits have tried to ascribe the drama *Mallikā-māruta*¹⁷ to our poet; but the drama has been shown to be the work of one Uddanḍa Raṅganātha, who wrote in Malabar in the fifteenth century A. D. This Raṅganātha must have been an admirer of our author, as is seen from his having copied several incidents of the *Das'ak* in his play; but his date, which has been proved beyond any doubt, shows the utter impossibility of Daṇḍin having been its author.

Which, then, are we to consider as the third work of Daṇḍin? We have already referred to the recent discovery in south India of a fragmentary prose romance, styled the अवन्तिहृदयकथा, which is ascribed to our author by its editor.

16 See pp. xvi.—xvii of our Introduction to the *Mṛich.* for a further discussion of this point.

17 Edited and published by Pandit Jibanand Vidyasagar of Calcutta in 1878.

The fragment is really too short to enable us to give any decided opinion; but from the portion that is now available, its claim to be treated as the third work of Daṇḍin does not appear to be quite groundless. The *Āvantisundarīkathā* is in fact the same story that we find in the *Das'ak.*, with this difference that the *Āvanti.* is written in a distinctly elaborate and highly polished style, by the side of which the *Das'ak.* pales into comparative mediocrity. It may be that the *Das'ak.* was the earliest production of our author, who in his riper and maturer years re-wrote and elaborated the same into the *Āvantisundarīkathā*. The style of the latter work bears the impress of a master-hand and presents a picture not unworthy of a great poet. We cull here a few passages from which the student may judge for himself:—

(a) शरदिव सरसां कान्तिमुद्वहन्ती हेमन्तवृत्तिरिव पालम्बिनी हारमालिना
शशिरश्रीरिव नवनवमालिका वसन्तवेल्व चारुभुजवामभूषिततत्रुलता घर्मेसंपदिव
कामलपाटलाधरा सर्वर्तुसमवृत्तितथैव नन्दनस्वभावा सर्वावरोधमधानभू रतिरिव
दर्पकस्य शचीव शतमखस्य शैलसुतेव विश्वेश्वरस्य लक्ष्मीरिव पुष्करेक्षणस्य
बुद्धिरिव धनाधिपस्य देवसेनेव सेनापतेः रोहिणीव बुधभावनस्य असुम्योऽपि
बल्लभा देवी वसुमती नाम । p. 13

(b) प्रतिमुखस्थितकुवलयक्रोडादिवातिनामानि भामिनीनामरज्यन्त लोच-
नानि । चकोरलोचनाकुचचरोहचक्रः संमर्दोऽपि कलुषीभवज्जिरम्बुभिरीत्यतिकर्ष-
जलत्वमनक्षरमाचचक्षे । गुरुनपि निरपेक्षो जघान वारिवेगो वरोरुणासुरोरुहभरान् ।
न हि विवेकः क्षुभितस्य । जलमध्ये मौनमाचरन्तो मेखलाकलापाः स्थान एव
गुणस्वं समर्थयावभूतुः etc. । p. 16

(c) तासु च ग्राष्मातपातुरात्रिलोकलक्ष्मीविश्रान्तिधारागृहेषु वर्षावासरेषु
कुटजकुड्मलहारमालिनीभिः लम्बकदम्बकाञ्चीदामभिः केतकबर्हदन्तपत्रभूषित-
श्रवणपाशाभिः मद्मयललामलाञ्छितललाटिकाभिः आर्द्रगैरिकरागरञ्जितचरण-
पल्लवाभिः कुन्तलवलयिनीभिः सुन्दरीभिः कृतकिरातनितम्बिनीवेषविभ्रमाभिः
रटन्मृगेषु नटच्छिखण्डिषु स्फुटक्रीपेषु रटनिक्षीरेषु वर्षजलधाराद्यौतस्नोपलतलेषु
क्रीडापर्यन्तेषु विजहार । pp. 18-19.

(d) कुसुमशरसरावलीष्विव विरहिजनहृदयदारिणीषु समन्ततः पतन्तीषु
हंसमालासु वसुधाविभ्रमहेमचूर्णरतनरेणुभिराभिनवमनसिजातुरास्विन्नसुभगासु वन-
स्थलीषु बाणमालिनीरिपुधीरिव मनोभवो भुवः परिहरन्सु समाधिच्छेदशंसिषु
स्वमुखानेकवारीदीरितमधुरशाक्ततप्राहिणीनां शुक्रभ्रेणीनामचकितमुक्तमञ्जुलप्रति-
शारशासितास्वनुमन्यमानकलमकणिशभङ्गासु कलमगोपिकासु सकलकामुकानीको-
त्कम्पकारिणीं खड्गधारामिव श्यामामवलम्बमाने द्विगुणतेजसि ज्योतिषामधीशे
शान्तगर्जितानि शशाङ्कपादच्छायश्रयीणि शाल्मलीतुलपरिलघूनि मेघकुलानि
विलोक्य दर्पोदिव मनमधुकीमप्रश्वानगर्भं दसन्तीषु कुमुदिनीषु विशाखां शतदे
eto. etc. । p. 20.

All thanks are due to Mr. M. R. Kavi, M. A., the learned editor of the *Avanti*., for bringing to light this hitherto unknown work, which is obviously the production of a highly gifted writer. There appears to be no reason for denying Mr. Kavi's ascription of it to Daṇḍin, and we may, therefore, tentatively accept that romance as the missing third work of the author of the *Daśakumāracharita*.

III. THE DAŚAKUMĀRACHARITA.

(1) THE PLOT.

The student, who has to study this book for examination purposes, will be required to keep in mind the bare thread of the narrative of the *Daśak*. in order to understand the sequence of the whole. We, therefore, give below, for ready reference, a very brief summary of the entire plot as presented in the various *Uchchhvāsas*:—

(THE PU'RVAPĪTHIKA')

UCH. I. Rājahamṣa, a benevolent and accomplished monarch, ruled in Pashpapurī, the capital of the kingdom of Magadha. His queen, a peerless beauty, was named Vasumatī. He had three ministers, Dharmapāla, Padmodbhava and Sitavarman by name, who held their offices by hereditary succession. Of these Dharmapāla had three sons, Sumantra, Sumitra and Kāmapāla; Padmodbhava had two, Sus'ruta and Ratnodbhava; and Sitavarman two, Sumati and Satyavarman. Kāmapāla turned out a vagabond and led a life of dissolute profligacy. Ratnodbhava, engaged in foreign trade, constantly performed distant voyages; while Satyavarman, disgusted with the world, went on a pilgrimage to foreign parts. The remaining four brothers succeeded to the ministerial offices held by their fathers.

War once broke out between Rājahamṣa and Mūnasūra, king of Mālwa. Rājahamṣa was, in the first instance, victorious, but was finally defeated and obliged to take shelter in a forest of the Vindhya mountains. There he approached a sage, Vāmadeva by name, for the recovery of his lost kingdom. The sage advised him to live there for a few years, which he did accordingly. His four ministers followed him in his retreat, and here his wife gave birth to a son, Rājavūhana. About the same time the four ministers also got sons—that

of Sumati was named Pramti, of Sumantra Mitrāgupta, of Sumitra Mantragupta, and of Sus'ruta Viśruta. While Rājahamṣa was residing in the forest, there were brought to him, on different occasions, five other young boys, making, with the sons of the ministers and Rājavāhana, the "*Ten Kumāras*" of the story. Thus:—(1) Prahāravarman, the king of Mithilā, was a friend and ally of Rājahamṣa. On the defeat of the latter, Prahāra. beat a hasty retreat towards his own country. But on his way he was attacked by the foresters (Śabaras) and lost his baggage and attendants. His two sons were separated from him in this skirmish. One of them was rescued from the Śabaras by a Brahmana, who took him to Rājahamṣa. The latter called him Upahāravarman, and brought him up along with the other princes. (2) On another occasion the King came across the second son of Pranāra. whom he took under his protection, naming him Apahāravarman. (3) Ratnodbhava was shipwrecked when voyaging with his wife. The latter was delivered of a son, but owing to an accident the boy was separated from his mother. A Brahmana saved him and brought him to the King, who bestowed on him the name of Pushpodbhava. (4) Kāmapāla had married Tārāvali, the daughter of a Yaksha-chief. Tārāvali brought her son to the queen of Rājahamṣa; this boy was called Arthapāla. (5) The son of Satyavarman was rescued from a river into which he had been thrown by his step-mother in jealousy. This boy was brought to Rājahamṣa who had him named Somadatta. These ten boys, thus assembled, were educated together, and became adepts in all the necessary arts and sciences.

UCH. II. As the princes had now all grown up, the King, in accordance with the advice of the sage Vāmadeva, sent them on a campaign 'to conquer the world' (*digvijaya*). They departed accordingly, and for a time journeyed together; but when in the Vindhya forest, Prince Rājavāhana was induced by a stranger Brāhmaṇa to leave his companions secretly and to assist him in obtaining the sovereignty of the Pātāla, which was foretold for him by god Śiva in a vision. Accordingly the two left secretly for Pātāla through a chasm in the earth. The enterprise succeeded; but when the prince returned to the spot where he had left his companions, he found them all gone. Alarmed by his inexplicable disappearance they had left in various directions in quest of him. [The adventures

they met with before their re-union with Rājavāhana are narrated subsequently, and lend its title to our romance.] Roaming in search of his friends, Rājavāhana came to Ujjayinī where in a garden he encountered Somadatta, accompanied by a splendid retinue and a beautiful damsel. Upon being asked by Rājavāhana, Somadatta began to narrate his adventures.

UCH. III. King Mattakāla of the Lātā country had invaded the territory of king Viraketu of Ujjayinī with a view to compel the latter to give his daughter, Vāmaloochanā, in marriage to him (Matta.). Somadatta ranged himself on the side of Viraketu, defeated the forces of Mattakāla, and succeeded in killing him in single combat. Overwhelmed by gratitude, Viraketu gave his daughter to Somadatta, and also adopted him as his Yuvarāja (heir-apparent.) While Soma, with his bride was going to the temple of Mahākāla, in accordance with the instructions of an astrologer, he was met by Rājavāhana.—When Somadatta had finished his narrative, there arrived on the scene Pushpodbhava, who, being requested, next proceeded to unfold his tale.

UCH. IV. After wandering for several days, Pushpodbhava once saw a man falling from a precipice in front of him; this proved to be Ratnodbhava, who had been shipwrecked sixteen years ago and was separated from his wife on that occasion. Being unable to bear his grief any longer, he tried to commit suicide, when his son found him. Shortly after that, as good luck would have it, Pushpodbhava prevented a woman from immolating herself in fire; she proved to be his mother. After being thus re-united with his parents, Pushpodbhava journeyed on to Ujjayinī, where he made friends with a rich merchant called Bandhupāla. There he fell in love with his daughter Bālachandrikā, who returned his affection. She was, however, sought in marriage by Prince Dāruvarman, whom she detested for his violence. So, under Pushpodbhava's advice, she gave out that her person was possessed by a Yaksha and that she would marry that brave man who would free her from the evil spirit. Dāruvarman tried to defy the Yaksha and to win Bālachandrikā, when Pushp., disguised as her female attendant, killed him, and rushed out of the chamber exclaiming that the Yaksha had killed Dāruvarman. In the tumult which followed, he slipped out with Bāla., and they

were married a few days later. The arrival of Rājavāhana was made known to Pushp. by Bandhupāla who was an expert in foretelling events by the observation of omens.—At the end of his narrative, Rājavāhana along with Somadatta and Pushp. repaired to Ujjayinī, where he disguised himself as the son of a Brāhmaṇa, and soon earned distinction by his high attainments.

UCH. V. Dwelling in Ujjayinī, Rājavāhana once beheld Avantisundarī, the lovely daughter of king Mānasāra, the foe of his father Rājamaṇsa. The prince and the princess were equally smitten with love at the sight of each other. Now, Mānasāra had abdicated the kingdom in favour of his son Darpaśāra. who too had retired to practise penance after appointing his cousins Dāruvarman and Ohaṇḍavarman as joint regents; of these the former was killed by Pushpodbhava, so that Ohaṇḍavarman was left the sole ruler. Rājavāhana and Avantisundarī were legally married in the presence of the fire through the contrivance of a friendly conjuror, who made Ohaṇḍ. believe at that time that the marriage was a delusion, being part of a magic show. Thereafter Rāja. and Avan. retired into the inner apartments for sport.

(THE DAS'AKUMA'RACHARITA)

UCH. I. The two lovers were discovered by the attendants and reported to Ohaṇḍavarmā, who got furious when he recognized Rāja. as the friend of Pushpodbhava, the husband of the wicked Bālachandrikā on whose account his brother was killed. Ohaṇḍavarmā wanted to execute Rāja. immediately; but the old king Mānasāra intervened, and so Rāja. was temporarily kept imprisoned in a wooden cage, pending the final orders of king Darpaśāra. In the meanwhile, Ohaṇḍavarmā marched against Siṃhavarmā, the king of the Aṅgas, whose daughter he wanted to wed; Rājavāhana had to accompany the invading army in his wooden cage. Ohampū, the capital city of the Aṅgas, was besieged, and Siṃhavarmā was vanquished and taken captive along with his daughter. Just then the orders of Darpaśāra were received, sanctioning the execution of Rājavāhana. Accordingly, the prince was taken out for being trampled to death under the feet of an elephant but just at the moment the chain tied round his feet fell off and assumed the form of a nymph who had been cursed into

that form by a sage. While Rājā, thus became free, a cry arose that Chandra¹varmā was killed in a mêlée by a thief; this thief turned out to be Rājā's friend and companion Apahāravarmā. In the meanwhile, several allies of king Simhavarmā, that were invited by him for help, arrived on the scene with their forces, so that the safety of him and his daughter was assured. Among these allies, Rājavāhana found all the rest of his missing companions, and by his desire they severally narrated to him their adventures; of these Apahāravarmā was the first to recount his tale, with which the next chapter begins.

UOH. II. In the course of his wanderings Apahāra. came across the sage Marīchi, from whom he sought to obtain the tidings of his master Rājavāhana. The sage promised him help and asked him to abide in the city of Champā; at the same time he related to Apahāra. his own adventures: how he was beguiled into her love by a courtesan named Kāmamañjarī who won a wager by succeeding in enticing him into the meshes of her charms and thereafter repudiated him and made him a laughing-stock of the people. After spending a night at Marīchi's hermitage, Apahāra. proceeded to Champā; on his way there he made friends with Vimardaka, a gentleman who was one of the victims of Kāmamañjarī who had stripped him of all his possessions and made him a beggar. Apahāra. promised help to Vimardaka in redeeming his lost fortune, and himself took to the profession of a gamester and a burglar. On one of his nightly sallies he met a beautiful maiden, Kulapālikā by name, the daughter of one Kuberadatta. Her father had first promised her in marriage to Dhanamitra, who, however, became poor afterwards through his princely charities. Kulapālikā loved Dhanamitra, but her father cancelled the old arrangement and wanted to bestow her upon one Arthapati; and she was then going to Dhanamitra's house from her home to avoid that marriage. Apahāravarmā met her in the dark of the night. He promised to help her, and took her to her lover; the two then went back with her to her father's house, which they plundered, they left her at home, but on their way burgled Arthapati's house. In consequence of these troubles the marriage was postponed for one month. Apahāra. enriched Dhanamitra with the proceeds of his robberies; a story was

then got up and circulated to the effect that Dhanamitra was in possession of a magic purse or leather-bag which daily produced immense gold. On hearing of this Kuberadatta gave his daughter to Dhanamitra.

Apaharavarmâ fell in love with Râgamañjarî, the younger sister of Kâmamañjarî, whose consent for the union he obtained by promising to procure for her that magic purse, provided she fulfilled one condition necessary for its being fruitful, *viz.* that she restored their wealth to all those persons whom she had reduced to poverty. She agreed, and thus Vimardaka got back what he had lost. The purse came to Kâmamañjarî; but Dhanamitra having reported its theft to the king, she had to return it to him; and, to save herself from punishment, she gave out, under Apahâra's instructions, that the purse was given to her by Arthapati. Arthapati was in consequence expelled the country and his property confiscated.

On one night, in a fit of foolhardiness, Apahâra. attacked the patrolling police and was made a prisoner; his jailer Kântaka, who was enamoured of the princess Ambâlikâ, utilized the services of this expert burglar to dig a subterranean passage from the prison to the palace. Apahâra. excavated the passage, but managed to kill Kântaka, and himself visited the apartment of the princess Ambâlikâ, with whom he fell in love; but, as she was asleep, he returned without awakening her. Afterwards, when Ohaṇḍavarmâ besieged Ohampâ and took her captive along with her father, Apahâra. came to the rescue and killed Ohaṇḍavarmâ in a fight. Later on he was met by Râjavâhana, as was foretold to him by the sage Marîchi.

UCH. III. Upahâravarmâ next began his story. He had gone to his own country Videha in search of Râjavâhana. He there met his old nurse, who related to him how his father's kingdom had been seized by Vikatavarman and other sons of his elder brother and how his parents had been imprisoned by them. Upahâravarmâ resolved to effect their release, and through the medium of his nurse's daughter managed to win the affection of Vikatavarman's queen, who was offended by the dissolute habits of her husband. At the instance of Upahâra. she persuaded Vikatavarman to undertake to perform a magical rite whereby he might exchange his body, which

was ugly and deformed, for a most beautiful one. He readily fell into the trap, and was killed by Upahâra, who then boldly usurped the throne, pretending to be the old king metamorphosed. He succeeded in deceiving all, including even his ministers, and reversed all the iniquitous deeds of the former occupant of the throne. He then released his parents, and made his father the king; and himself becoming the Yuvarāja, he led an army to the assistance of his ally Simhavarmā, when he met Rāja. in Champā.

UCH. IV. Arthapāla next narrated his account. He had gone to Kāśī, where he met a certain man in great distress who related to him the story of Kāmapāla who was the minister of the King of Kāśī and whom Arthapāla knew to be his father and the husband of that Tārāvalī (the Yaksha damsel) who had made him over to queen Vasumatī. Kāmapāla was appointed minister by the old king Chandraśimha of Kāśī; but the new king Simhaghosha, who was an evil-minded youth without judgement, had dismissed Kāmapāla and sentenced him to death. On hearing this, Arthapāla determined to effect the release of his father. He secured a poisonous snake, and when his father was being led to be put to death, he dropped it on his head, so that it bit him and he fell down senseless. Arthapāla knew anti-poison charms by means of which he counteracted the effect of the poison; and having removed the apparently dead body with the permission of the king, he restored Kāmapāla to life. They then concerted a plan for the overthrow of Simhaghosha. Arthapāla excavated a subterranean passage to the royal palace; this passage opened in an underground chamber where dwelt princess Manikarnikā, whose attendants requested Arthapāla to wed her. Arthapāla promised to do so, and entered the royal apartments, where he found the king asleep. He took him captive and carried him to Kāmapāla, who then administered the kingdom. Arthapāla married Manikarnikā, became installed Yuvarāja, and led an army to the assistance of the king of the Aṅgas, when he met Rāja. in Champā.

UCH. V. Thereafter Pramati proceeded to describe his adventures. While on his journey he was benighted in a forest of the Vindhya mountains, where, commending himself to the guardian-deity of the place for protection, he lay down

for repose under a tree. While asleep, he fancied himself transported to a palace where he beheld a lovely maiden with whom he immediately fell in love. On awakening he was wondering whether it was a dream or a delusion, when a nymph appeared and told him how it was all real, and how she had carried him asleep to the chamber of princess Navamālikā of Śrāvastī, who was the damsel seen by him. The nymph, who was none other than Tārāvalī, the wife of Kāmapāla, prophesied success for him in his suit and then took her departure. Pramati then proceeded to Śrāvastī. On his way he met a Brāhmaṇa at a cock-fight, and made friends with him. These two hatched a plan; the Brāhmaṇa took Pramati, dressed in female garb as his daughter, to the king, and left her under his protection, while he went off to find out the youth to whom he professed to have betrothed her. In the palace Pramati won the affection of Navamālikā; afterwards one day he disappeared and joined the Brāhmaṇa. The latter then went to the king with Pramati as his intended son-in-law, and demanded to see his daughter. The King was not of course able to produce her, whereupon the Brāhmaṇa threatened to immolate himself in the fire. The king was then forced to offer his own daughter to Pramati, in order to pacify the Brāhmaṇa. Pramati thus became the son-in-law of the king and soon won his confidence. While he was leading his troops to succour Siṃhavarmā, he met his friend Rājāvāhana.

UCH. VI. Next it was the turn of Mitragupta to narrate his adventures. He had journeyed to the Suhma country and arrived at its capital Dāmalipta. The King of the Suhmas, by the favour of the goddess Durgā, had obtained two children, one son (Bhīmadhanvā) and one daughter (Kandukāvatī), on condition that the former should be subordinate to the husband of the latter, and that the husband should be chosen by her at an annual festival where she was to play in public with a ball (*kanduka*). That being the time of the festival, Mitragupta went to behold it, and the princess happened to choose him; but this roused the ire of Bhīmadhanvā, who did not like to see himself subordinated to a stranger. So Mitragupta was seized by his orders, and cast into the sea. He was luckily picked up by a passing Yavana vessel; the Yavanas wanted to hold him as a slave, but their ship was

attacked by another, and Mitragupta fought valiantly on their behalf and routed the assailants; so he was treated by them with great respect and given his freedom. Bhîmadhanvâ turned out to be the captain of the attacking ship and was taken prisoner. The ship was driven by a contrary gale to an island, where they cast anchor and Mitragupta landed ashore. He there met a Rākshasa who threatened to devour him unless he answered his four questions. They were—What is naturally cruel? What contributes best to the happiness of a house-holder? What is love? And, What is the best means of achieving difficult things? His answers were, in order:—The heart of a woman; The virtues of the wife; The determination to possess; and Talent. He illustrated his answers by four stories, each having a woman for the heroine, viz. Dhâminî, Gominî, Nimbavatî and Nitambavatî (see pp. 157–170). The Rākshasa was pleased with the replies. Just then another Rākshasa was found carrying along a struggling maiden by the aerial path; she was rescued, and proved to be Kandukāvâtî, Mitragupta's destined bride. Mitragupta then set sail and arrived at Dāmalipta, where he was welcomed as his son-in-law by the old king. The latter was an ally of Simhavarmâ; so Mitragupta was dispatched to his aid with an army, when he met Rājavāhana in Ohampā.

UCH. VII. It was the turn of Mantragupta next to relate his story. He had gone to the country of Kaliṅga where in a cemetery he rescued the princess of Kaliṅga, Kanakalekhâ by name, from the hands of a *Siddha* (a sorcerer) who had procured her presence through a goblin, and who was about to kill and sacrifice her for obtaining miraculous powers. Mantragupta fell in love with the princess, and accompanied her to the palace, where he lived in her apartment without being discovered. Now Kardana, the king of Kaliṅga, once went with his family to spend a few days by the sea-side. There he was attacked and taken captive by Jayasimha, the king of A'ndhra. Mantragupta wanted to rescue him, and soon found the necessary means. It happened that Jayasimha wished to wed Kanakalekhâ, but a report had got abroad that she was possessed by an evil spirit (Yaksha) who had to be exorcized first. Mantragupta disguised himself as a great ascetic and offered his help to the King in driving away the Yaksha. It was planned that

the king should bathe in a lake, when, by virtue of Mantragupta's magical rites, he would emerge with his body metamorphosed, and would then be enabled to combat the Yaksha. Accordingly, Jayasimha entered the lake, when Mantragupta contrived to kill him, and himself issued forth as the metamorphosed King. Thereupon he found no difficulty in releasing Kardana and the princess; the former became the king of both the A'ndhras and the Kaliṅgas, and the latter was married to Mantragupta. Coming to the assistance of Simhavarmā, he met Rājavāhana. [The whole story is narrated without the use of any labial letters, which is a literary *tour de force*; a poetical reason for Mantragupta's avoidance of labials will be found given on p. 172, l. 2].

UCH. VIII. Vis'ruta now narrated his adventures, being the last of the series. While wandering through the Vindhya forest he came upon a young boy attended by an old man. The boy was the young prince of Vidarbha. His father Anantavarmā kept vicious company, and owing to his dissolute habits neglected the affairs of the state; he was thereupon attacked by Vasantabhānu, a neighbouring prince, who killed him and usurped his throne. On the death of Anantavarmā, his queen Vasumdhara with her daughter Mañjuvādinī and son Bhāskaravarmā went to stay with Mitravarmā, king of Māhishmatī, who was the half-brother of her husband. Mitravarmā, however, was discovered to be a treacherous ally, and the queen sent her son away with an attendant, with instructions to the latter to take the prince to a place of safety. Vis'ruta listened to their account, and discovering that the prince was distantly related to himself, promised him help in recovering his lost kingdom. Learning from a forester that a marriage was being arranged in Māhishmatī by Mitravarmā between Mañjuvādinī and Prachandavarmā, Vis'ruta sent the old servant back to queen Vasumdhara, asking her to spread a false report about her son's death; he also sent her a poisoned necklace with which she was to kill Mitravarmā and then to await his (Vis'ruta's) arrival. Vis'ruta himself shortly afterwards arrived in the city, accompanied by the prince, and for a while took up the disguise of a mendicant. He soon found an opportunity to kill Prachandavarmā; he thereafter repaired to the temple of Durgā; entering, he hid himself underneath the pedestal of

the idol. The queen arrived there according to a preconcerted plan; she had already given out that owing to the favour of the goddess—as revealed in a vision—her dead son would return to her alive on that day in the temple. Vis'ruta issued forth with the prince from the interior of the temple, and announced to the assembled people that the prince was under the special protection of the goddess, who was pleased to send him back to them as their lawful ruler. Thus Bhāskara-varman was recognized as the king of Māhishmatī; and Vis'ruta, marrying Mañjivâdinī, became the king's chief adviser, and conducted the affairs of the kingdom for him.

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Vis'ruta next directed his attention to the task of restoring Bhāskara-varman to his paternal throne of Vidarbha, which had been seized by Vasantabhānu. He led an expedition against the latter, and killed him in single combat; thus the road was clear for Bhāskara-varman's succession, and Vis'ruta's efforts were crowned with fruition. When coming to the help of Simhavarmā, he met Rājavāhana in Ohampā.

On the termination of these narratives, there arrived a messenger from the old King Rājahamśa, the father of Rājavāhana, with a letter. Rājahamśa was struck with grief when he had heard of the sudden disappearance of his son and the consequent dispersal of the band of the princes; but he had been comforted by the sage Vāmadeva prophesying that they would all return safe and sound after sixteen years. That period had now elapsed, and the sage having told him how they had all assembled at Ohampā, he desired them to start at once to see him. In obedience to this mandate the princes set out for Pushpapura. Coming to Ujjayinī they defeated and killed Mānasāra and took possession of the kingdom of Mālwā. After that they repaired to Pushpapura. The old king was highly pleased to see them, and having distributed among them the various kingdoms they had won, he retired from public life. Then Rājavāhana became the king of the united kingdoms of Pushpapura and Ujjayinī; the princes governed their respective principalities with justice, and all lived happily ever afterwards.

(2) THE THREE PARTS OF THE PRESENT TEXT.

The complete available text of the *Daśak.*, a summary of which has been given above, presents one curious feature in that it consists of three separate fragments, known respectively as the *Pûrvapîṭhikâ* (in 5 Uchchhvâsas), the *Daśakumâra-charita* proper (in 8 Uch.), and the *Uttarapîṭhikâ* (in 1 Uch., or rather, not divided into any Uch.). Of these three, only the middle portion is believed to have been from the pen of Daṇḍin himself. As the student will have noticed, it begins abruptly in the middle of the story of Ra'javâhana, and also ends abruptly, leaving Vis'ruta's narrative unfinished; the word *daśa* in the title of the work is proof enough to show that two more tales are lacking in the middle portion as it is extant at present. It is impossible to give any satisfactory explanation of how the original work of Daṇḍin came to be in such a fragmentary state. In the case of Bâṇa's *Ka'dambarî*, which originally ended abruptly, we know that it was the author's death which left it incomplete, as we have been told by his son who composed its supplement or the *Uttarabhâga*. But concerning the *Daśak.*, the writers who have provided the Supplements have offered no explanations, and we are left to surmise the probable cause best as we may. It is patent on the face of it, that the *Daśak.* once existed in a complete state; for, though an author may sometimes leave his work incomplete towards the end, he would scarcely begin it abruptly in the middle. Later, owing to some accident or other, a considerable portion in the beginning and in the end came to be lost; and either the disciples of Daṇḍin, or some other admirers of his work, who must have remembered how the missing portion read,¹⁸ supplied the deficiency to the best of their abilities. That the *Pûrvapîṭhikâ* and the *Uttarapîṭhikâ*, as printed here, are not by the same hand that wrote the *Daśak.*, will be clear when we carefully examine them. The *Pûrva.*, from its length, appears to be

18 Mr. M. R. Kavi, the editor of the *Avantisunderikathâ*, has offered another explanation which is also possible. According to him, the original work of Daṇḍin was translated in Telugu by about 1250 A. D.: and, when the original could not be found complete, some skilful scholar must have re-translated the *Pûrvabhâga* backwards into Sanskrit from that translation.

an ambitious work, and its author has done his best to imitate the style of Daṇḍin; nevertheless it lacks the grace and felicity of the original part. The author seems to have acquired greater skill in composition as he proceeded with his narrative, for its earlier Uchchhvāsas are cruder and less polished than the later ones. There are, moreover, discrepancies between the Pūrva. and the Daśak. proper, that stamp the former as being the work of a different writer. The following are the more important among these discrepancies:—(i) In the Pūrva. Arthapa'la is stated to be the son of Ka'mapa'la from his wife Ta'ra'vall; the Daśak. (Uch. Iṣ.) makes him the son of Ka'mapa'la from his wife Ka'ntimatī. (ii) The Pūrva. makes Pramati the son of Sumati; the Daśak. shows him as the son of Ka'mapāla. (iii) The account given of the nurse of Upaḥa'ravarman in the Pūrv. differs in several details from that found in Uch. III. of the Daśak. Similarly, there are variations between the *Uttarapīṭhikā* and the preceding portion of the work, as for example the reference to Ma'nasāra on p. 215 is not in agreement with what has been stated before. Such details confirm us in our suspicion that the beginning and the end of the Daśak. have been supplied by later writers; even their names have remained unknown, and it is therefore natural that in MSS. the entire work should be frequently found ascribed to Daṇḍin.

Before concluding, it is necessary to draw attention to the fact that there have been many writers who have tried to compose similar supplements. Thus, Mr. Agashe has printed in his edition a small Pūrvapīṭhikā, by one Bhaṭṭa-Nāra'yana; he claims that it is a better piece of work than the current Pūrvapīṭhikā. It seems to us, however, to be quite an inferior production, reading almost like a school-boy's summary; and it is far less fitted to stand as part of the well-finished, easy-flowing work of Daṇḍin. As regards the *Uttarapīṭhikā*, the first ed. of the Daśak. issued by the Nirṇ. press contained a version (called therein Daśakumāra-chaitas'asha) by Ohakrapa'ṇi; this was the same version which was accessible to Prof. Wilson, and on which he commented adversely. It is of considerable length, and its style does not accord with Daṇḍin's in purity and vigour; it was therefore omitted in subsequent editions, and the

current Uttara-pīthikā, which is a more suitable and concise production, substituted in its place; the author of this Uttara- is, however, unknown. There is a third Uttara-pīthikā by one Padmanābha, which is printed at Madras, and a fourth one, ascribed to Pandit Gopīnātha, exists in MS. It will thus be seen that criticism on Daṇḍin's work will only be pertinent when it is made with reference to the main body of the text as it is available in its eight Uchohhvāsas.

(3) GENERAL AND CRITICAL REMARKS.

The Daśak. has long enjoyed a well deserved popularity in India both on account of its easy style and its attractive subject-matter. Daṇḍin is a writer of great merit and considerable literary attainments; the high esteem in which he is held by Indian scholars is shown by the number of current Subhāṣitas (*cf.* some quoted by us *supra* p. x) eulogizing him for his pre-eminent position among Sanskrit poets. Like the great masters Kālidāsa, Bāṇa and Bhavabhūti, he has a perfect command over language. As a lover of nature and a descriptive poet, he is inferior to the three great authors just named, but inferior to them only. His descriptions of the first meeting between Rājavāhana and Avantisundarī, Pramati's account of the unknown princess, Kandukāvati's play at the ball, &c., are very fair specimens of descriptive composition. Of the whole collection the story of Apabhāra-varman is the best, being richer in varied incidents, and that of Mitragupta would rank next. Daṇḍin's mastery over the art of writing short stories is illustrated by the vividly picturesque group of four stories narrated in response to the demand of the Rākshasa in Uch. VI.

The plot of the Daśak. seems on the whole to be of the poet's own invention, and does not appear to have been borrowed from or based on any older accounts. It is, however, probable that in some minor particulars Daṇḍin might have received hints from other sources, legendary or historical. The Brihatkathā of Guṇādhya has long been recognized in India as a veritable mine of fable-literature on which later authors have drawn repeatedly and copiously

for the material of their works. If we examine the *Bṛihat-kathā* (as summarized in the *Kathāsaritsāgara* or the *Bṛihat-kathānañjarī*), we do not find any wholesale borrowing on the part of Daṇḍin anywhere. There are, however, certain similar incidents in both the *Daśak.* and the *Bṛihat-kathā*, from which it may be argued that Daṇḍin's writing is occasionally reminiscent of Guṇāḍhya. Mr. Agashe has collected together several of these similarities, among which we may mention the prostitute's mother remonstrating with her daughter (pp. 66-68), the snatching of an anklet off the foot of a woman (p. 169), and the visit of the prince to the nether regions (p. 64). But these are mere hints, not complete stories, and they do not detract from the originality of Daṇḍin's plot. The accounts of Rājahamṣa's kingdom being usurped by Mānasāra and the overthrow of Vasantabhānu (in *Uch.* VIII.) are understood by some to be based on certain contemporary historical events, though it is impossible to establish that Daṇḍin was referring to any particular historical personages. If there are any historical allusions in the *Daśak.*, they are too slight, and made casually in passing; the groundwork of the *Daśak* is not historical, but fictitious; and in the evolution of his narratives Daṇḍin cannot be held to be indebted to any previous author or authors, though he may have here and there unconsciously borrowed a phrase or an incident from the *Bṛihat-kathā*. He is fully entitled to the credit of having created an original romance of great interest and charm in which the life of the middle class as well as of the ruling caste is portrayed with discrimination and a due sense of proportion.

Viewing the *Daśak.* as a masterpiece of constructive art, it reveals to us, as aptly remarked by Prof. Keith, "the graces of the *Kāvya* style applied to the folk-tale, vivified by the genius of the writer." High praise it undoubtedly deserves; but, as no human work is perfect, it suffers from defects which are indeed noticeable even on a cursory perusal of the whole. Firstly, as the work stands, it is faulty to a certain extent as regards its general dénouement; the events described seem to hang loosely together instead of leading to a definite end. (But we should hesitate to hold Daṇḍin responsible for this, for it is most likely due to the fragmentary condition of the available text, and not to

any constructive defect in the original). And secondly, the work does not teach a moral. Indeed, when one remembers how all Hindu fable-literature is distinctly didactic in tone, it is not a little surprising that Daṇḍin should have contented himself with a realistic portrait only, without endeavouring to point to any distinct moral derived therefrom. He observes, but does not diagnose; he describes, but does not instruct. The evils he sees around him he knows to be evils, but he does not tell us how to steer clear of them or how to cure them; at any rate, if any moral is to be drawn, he leaves it to the reader, and does not concern himself with it. It would seem that *rañjana*, and not *śodha*, was what he was chiefly aiming at; and in that no doubt he has succeeded to a very high degree.

One serious charge that has been brought against this highly popular romance of Daṇḍin is its lack of good taste in the descriptions of the princes' adventures, and its occasional indelicacy of expression. Now, it is quite true that the poet has interspersed thieving, adultery and murders somewhat too freely in his narratives, and heinous crimes such as these have evoked from him expressions which are more palliative than condemnatory. But in this he appears to have yielded to the taste of certain sections of the society of the times when he wrote; it was his business to portray the occurrences in the royal harems and the intrigues at court, along with the irresponsible daily life of vagabonds, tramps and soldiers of fortune, as occasion arose. He pictured what he observed, and we know that he did not picture with any exaggeration; for history tells us but too frequently how succession in a royal family in India was shrouded in an atmosphere of crime and fraud. The charge of indelicacy of expression is one that cannot be seriously maintained against an established classic of repute, such as the *Daśak*. undoubtedly is; moreover, the standards of delicacy vary among different peoples and different civilizations; and what sounds indelicate to our modern ears might have been a common mode of expression in those less sophisticated days. We have here, as Prof. Keith remarks, a confusion of morality and literature, and the ignoring of the diverse standards of taste of the west and pre-Mahomedan India.

Prof. Wilson has attached great importance to the geography of the *Daśak.*; and lately Mr. Mark Collins has tried to discuss its geographical data in a separate pamphlet. We have already remarked above that the geographical references of Dandin do not help us in fixing his age; and though he mentions a large number of countries and places in his narratives, very little definite can be inferred therefrom; nor does he make any new additions to our knowledge. Either the names are quite well known on the map of ancient India, or, when it is not so, the reference is so vague (*e. g.* *सुरलेख* on p. 201) as to be of little use in enabling us to fix its location properly. Similarly, the picture of Hindu society drawn by Dandin does not present any extraordinary features calling for any special comment. We read therein of the prevalence of polygamy, idol-worship, belief in dreams, omens, ghosts and sorcery, gambling houses, courtesans, the doctrine of former birth and Karma. In these particulars Hindu society has remained almost stationary for many centuries past, although certain barbarous practices like human sacrifice have been put a stop to by law. Too much stress should not be laid on the profligacy and superstition that we find in the *Daśak.*; these two features characterize more or less certain sections of every society even now, but nobody imagines thereby that the entire structure of that society is raised on them. The mercantile community of ancient India was enterprising; one reads of vast caravans journeying through the forests, and the account of Mitragupta shows that Indian merchants even traded by sea with far-off countries like Arabia; this maritime trade of India is now a thing of the past.

STYLE.

The style of the *Daśak.* is in general simple, easy-flowing, polished and idiomatic. There are in it occasional lapses from good grammar, solecisms and inaccuracies; we have noticed most of these in our Notes, such as the irregular use of the Perfect in *अहं चकमे* (p. 126) and *अहं सस्वजे* (p. 202), or the defective syntax as in *मरीचिं वेशकृच्छ्राद्वाय.....तेनास्मि स्वदर्शनमवगमितः* (p. 101), or such unfamiliar use of words as in *परिव्रज उज्ज्विनीम्* (p. 167); but too much should not be made of such errors and irregularities, many of which occur in the *Pūrvapīṭhikā*, and not in the *Daśak.*, and we know that Dandin was not responsible for the *Pūrvā*. Further, it

is quite probable that not a few of them may have been introduced owing to the ignorance and negligence of scribes. On the whole, the style of the *Das'ak.* resembles more the easier narrative style of works like the *Pañchatantra* and the *Hitopadeśa*; it stands on a different plane from the gorgeous splendour of *Bāṇa's Kādambarī*, for instance. *Bāṇa* utilizes every kind of literary embellishment known to him, including innumerable puns, high-flown conceits, and extraordinarily long compounds, so that the thread of his narrative is often lost in these; he appears to be more concerned with displaying his skill in the use of words, rather than with the progress of his narrative. *Dandīn* avoids such temptations, and makes the narration of the story his principal aim; that he could have written like *Bāṇa* had he so chosen, it would be apparent on an examination of his *Avantisundarikathā* (for extracts from which work the student may turn to p. xxiv *supra*). The literary *tour de force* in the 7th Uoh., the whole of which is composed without the use of labial letters, finds no parallel in the works of *Bāṇa*. That he could accomplish this feat in writing चित्र कथ्य without importing any obscurity of expression in his style, is a very high testimony to his command over language; it is done so cleverly and unostentatiously, and the narrative reads so very normal as usual, that had it not been for the author's own statement in the beginning, the reader would hardly have discovered the absence of labial letters even on reaching the end of the chapter. *Dandīn* is generally happy in his choice of words, and has a special facility in embodying common truths in homely and forceful language (Cf. स्वदेशो देशान्तरमिति नेयं गणना विदग्धस्य पुरुषस्य p. 80 ; आत्मानमात्मनाऽनवसायेवोद्धरन्ति सन्तः p. 82 ; न ह्यलमितिपुष्टोऽपि पुरुषो निश्चितिलिखितां लेखामतिक्रमितुम् p. 89; इह जगति हि न निरीहं देहिर्न श्रियः संश्रयन्ते p. 181; जीवितं हि नाम जन्मवतां चतुःपञ्चाप्यहानि p. 194; &c.). There is one feature of style for which *Dandīn* was especially famed, according to an old *Subhāshita* already quoted above (p. x), viz his selection of beautiful and alliterative words. Instances of this are strewn all over the work, from which we cull a few at random :—अरक्चकामिजनवृत्तं निवृत्त-स्ववृत्ताभिलाषं p. 71; अयुग्मशरः शरशयने शाययिष्यति p. 84; असत्येनास्य नास्यं संसृज्यते p. 179; अनेकस्यानेक आतङ्कश्चिरं चिकिरसकैरसंहार्यः संहृतः p. 179; स पुण्यैः कर्मभिः प्राण्य पुरुषायुषं पुनरपुण्येन प्रजानामगण्यतामरेषु p. 188; etc.). The student can add many more.

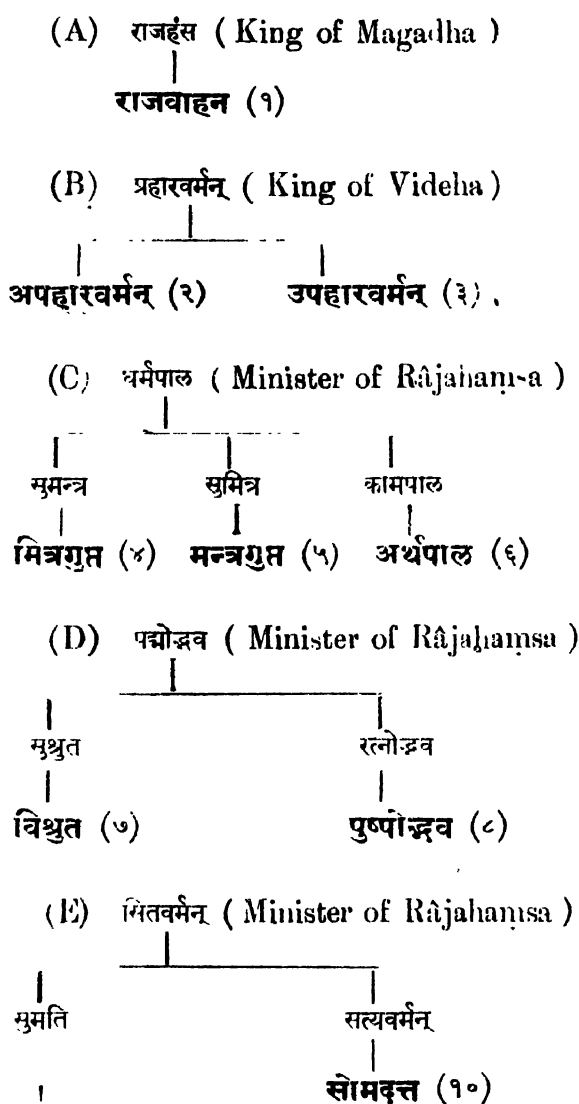
CHARACTERIZATION.

The student will find at the end of this Section a list of the ten Kumâras, from which he can see at a glance their relationships. In describing their adventures, Daṇḍin seems to have made narration of the incidents his chief concern, characterization being only secondary. This was necessitated by the framework of the romance, which was a series of tales in which no great scope could be found for the consistent development of any particular character; so our author has contented himself with delineating their personalities with a few deft and bold strokes, as there was no room for any very deep analysis of character. The hero is Rājavāhana, who is young, well-educated, and handsome in form. His readiness in going to the help of a Brāhmaṇa (Pūrva. II.) shows the innate nobility of his heart. His union with Avantisundarī leads to his arrest by Chāṇḍavarmā; although brave and not lacking in courage, he accepts it without resistance, as it had been pre-ordained by destiny (p. 57). The various remarks he makes at the conclusion of the narrative of each of the Kumâras show his courtesy and his generosity: he would only comment on the good points in the tale, ignoring any objectionable features of it, so as not to wound the feelings of his friend. His prompt departure to visit his father on receiving his letter (p. 215) shows him as a loving son conscious of his filial obligations. The student will remember how Bāṇa has made Chāṇḍrāṣṭha obey promptly a similar order of his father.

Among the remaining Kumâras, Somadatta is portrayed as a very brave warrior; Pushpodbhava is a dutiful son; Apahāravarmā is a loyal and faithful friend, and withal a shrewd and successful plotter, a characteristic which evokes a compliment from Rājavāhana himself (p. 102). Upahāravarmā appears as a scheming gallant, though the author has taken pains to explain away his immoral intrigues (see pp. 111, 122). Arthapāla is a brave young man and a clever schemer. Pramati is depicted as a man of gentle temperament who gains his object by gentle means alone. Mitrāgupta meets with rather strange adventures; his encounter with the Yavanas shows his intrepid bravery, and that with the

Ra'kshasa his ready wit. Mantragupta is a resourceful adventurer; and Viśruta appears to be a clever administrator' especially learned in the principles of practical politics. On the whole it may be said that Daṇḍin has presented to us a gallery of portraits of varied and interesting types.

The ten Kumâras and their Relationships.



Important Abbreviations.

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A. G. Apte's Guide to Sanskrit Composition.	MAH.-BH.—Mahā-Bhārata.
A.-K.—Amarakośa.	MA'LAV.—Mālavikāgnimitra.*
BG.—Bhagavadgītā	MALLI.—Mallinātha.
BH.—Bhartṛihari's Śatakas.*	MA'L.-MA'DH.—Mālatī- Mādhava.*
BHATTI.—Bhaṭṭi-Kāvya.*	MEGH.—Meghadūta.*
BHU'.—Bhūṣhaṇā (Com.).	MRICH.—Mṛicchhakaṭika *
BRIH.—UP.—Bṛihadāraṇyako- panishad	M.-S.—Manusmṛiti.
BR.-Śā.—Brahmasūtra.	MUD.—Mudrārākṣasa.*
OHHA'N.—UP.—Uhhāndogyo- panishad.	NA'G.—Nāgānanda.*
COM.—Commentary; commen- tator.	PAD.—Padachandrikā (Com.).
D.-K.—Daśakumāracharita.*	PA'N.—Pāṇini's Aṣṭādhyāyī
D.-R.—Daśarūpaka.	PT.—Pañchatantra.*
GI'T.—Gītagovinda.	RAGH.—Raghuvamśa.*
HITOP.—Hitopadeśa.*	RA'M.—Rāmāyaṇa.
KA'D.—Kādambari.*	RATN.—Ratnāvalī.*
KA'M.-N.—Kāmandakiya- Nītisāra.	ṚITUS.—Ṛitusamhāra.*
KATHA's.—Kathāsaritā gara.	Ṛ.-V.—Ṛig-Veda
KAUT.—Kauṭilya's Arthasāstra.	ŚA'K.—Śākuntala.*
KIR.—Kīrātārjuniya.*	S.-D.—Sāhitya-darpaṇa.
K.-P.—Kāvya-Prakāśa.	SID.-K.—Siddhānta-kaumudī.
KUM.—Kumārasambhava.*	ŚIS'.—Śisupālavadha.
LAGHU.—Laghudīpikā (Com.).	UP.—Upanishad.
	UTTAR.—Uttararāmacharita.*
	VA'BT.—Vārttika.
	VENI'.—Venīsamhāra.*
	VIK.—Vikramotvas'īya.*
	V.-P.—Vishnu-Purāṇa.

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दशकुमारचरितम् ।

पूर्वपीठिका

प्रथमोच्छ्वासः ।

ब्रह्माण्डच्छत्रदण्डः शतधृतिभवनाम्भोरुहो नालदण्डः

क्षोणीनौकूपदण्डः क्षरदमरसरित्पट्टिकाकेतुदण्डः ।

ज्योतिश्चक्राक्षदण्डस्त्रिभुवनविजयस्तम्भदण्डोऽङ्घ्रिदण्डः

श्रेयस्त्रैविक्रमस्ते वितरतु विबुधद्वेषिणां कालदण्डः ॥

अस्ति समस्तनगरीनिकषायमाणा शश्वदगण्यपण्यविस्तारितमणिग-
णादिवस्तुजातव्याख्यातरत्नाकरमाहात्म्या मगधदेशशेखरीभूता पुष्पपुरी
नाम नगरी । तत्र वीरभटपटलोत्तरङ्गतुरङ्गकुञ्जरमकरमीषणसकल-

ब्रह्माण्डेति । ब्रह्माण्डमेव छत्रं तस्य दण्डः आधारयष्टिः । ब्रह्माण्डं भुवनम् ।
शतं धृतयो यस्य स शतधृतिर्ब्रह्मा । तस्य भवनमुत्पत्तिस्थानं वासस्थानं वा तद्भू-
तस्याम्भोरुहोऽम्भसि रोहतीति व्युत्पत्त्या कमलस्य । हान्तोऽयं शब्दः । क्षोणी
पृथ्वी तद्वा या नौस्तरिस्तस्याः कूपदण्डो गुणवृक्षकः । ' डोलकाठी ' इति भाषा-
याम् । क्षरन्ती प्रसवन्ती या अमरसरिद्वियद्गङ्गा सैव पट्टिका तस्याः केतुदण्डः ।
ज्योतिश्चक्रं ज्योतिःसमूहस्तस्याक्षदण्डो नाभिक्षेपं काष्ठम् । त्रयाणां भुवनानां समा-
हारस्त्रिभुवनं तस्य विजयस्तद्दर्शकः स्तम्भदण्डः । अङ्घ्रिश्चरणो दण्ड इवेत्युपमितस-
मासः । श्रेयो निःश्रेयसं मुकुतं पुण्यं वा । अतिशयेन प्रशस्यम् । त्रैविक्रमस्त्रिविक्रम-
स्यायम् । वितरतु ददातु । विबुधद्वेषिणां दनुजानाम् । कालदण्डः कृतान्तः ।
मृत्युरिति यावत् । अस्तीति । निकषः कषपाषाणः तद्वदाचरति निकषायते ।
निकषायतेऽसौ निकषायमाणा । पण्यानि विक्रेयवस्तूनि । रत्नाकरं उदधिः । शेख-
रीभूता भूषणभूता । वीरेति । वीराश्च ते भयाश्च तेषां पटलानि तैः उद्गताः
तरङ्गा वीचयो यस्यासौ उत्तरङ्गः । तुरङ्गाश्च कुञ्जराश्च त एव मकरास्तैर्मीषणश्च ।

रिपुगणकटकजलनिधिमथनमन्दरायमाणसमुद्दण्डभुजदण्डः, पुरंदरपुराङ्गण-
वनविहरणपरायणगीर्वाणतरुणगणिकागणजेगीयमानयाऽतिमानया शरदि-
न्दुकुन्दधनसारनीहारहारमृणालमरालसुरगजनरीक्षीरगिरिशट्टहासकैलास-
काशनीकाशमूर्त्या रंचितदिगन्तरालपूर्त्या कीर्त्याऽभितः सुरभितः, स्वर्लोक-
शिखरोरुरुचिररत्नरत्नाकरवेलामेखलावलयितधरणीरमणीसौभाग्यभोगभा-
ग्यवान्, अनवरतयागदक्षिणारक्षितशिष्टविशिष्टविद्यासंभारभासुरभूसुरनि-
करः, विरचितारातिसंतापेन प्रतापेन सतततुलितवियन्मध्यहंसः, राजहंसो
नाम घनदर्पकंदर्पसौन्दर्यसौन्दर्यहृद्यनिरवद्यरूपो भूपो बभूव । तस्य वसुमती
नाम सुमती लीलावतीकुलशेखरमणी रमणी बभूव । रोषेणक्षणेन निटिलेक्षणेन

एतादृशः यः सकलाश्च ते रिपवश्च तेषां गणस्तस्य कटकं तदेव जलनिधितस्य
मथने मन्दर इवाचरन्समुद्दण्डो भुजदण्डो यस्य सः । भटा योद्धारः । पटलं समूहः ।
कटकं सेना । पुरंदरेति । पुरंदर इन्द्रः तस्य पुरस्य अङ्गणानि चत्तराणं तत्संबन्धीनि
वनानि तेषु विहरणपरायणः यो गीर्वाणतरुणगणिकानां वेद्यानामप्सरसामि-
त्यर्थः गणस्तेन जेगीयमानया भृशं पुनः पुनर्वा कीर्त्यमानया । अतिमानयाऽति-
प्रमाणया । विस्तृतयेति यावत् । शरदिन्द्रिति । कुन्दं पुष्पविशेषः । ' कर्पूरो
हिमवालुका । घनसारः ' इति हैमः । नीहारो हिमम् । मृणालं विसम् । मरालो
हंसः । सुरगज ऐरावतः । गिरिशस्य शिवस्याट्टहासो महान्हासः । काशस्तृणपुष्प-
भेदः । शरदिन्द्रश्च कुन्दं चेत्यादिः काशान्तो द्वन्द्वः । तैः सदृशी तर्जाकाशा ।
नित्यसमासः । मूर्तिर्यस्यास्तथा । रचितं कृता दिशामन्तरालं दिगन्तरालं तस्य
पूर्तिः दिगन्तरालपूर्तिर्यथा । सुरभितो मनोज्ञः । स्वर्लोकिति । स्वर्लोकः सुरा-
लयो मेखस्तस्य शिखरं तद्वत्संबन्धीनि वा उरुणि स्थूलानि रुचिराणि सुन्दराणि च
यानि रत्नानि तेषां तद्युक्तो वा यो रत्नाकरस्तस्य वेला जलवृद्धेर्मथादा सैव मेखला
काञ्ची तथा वलयिता या धरणा सैव रमणी । अनवरता नित्याः । यागा यज्ञाः ।
तेषु या दक्षिणा तथा रक्षितः शिष्टश्च ते विशिष्टविद्यासंभारण भासुरा देदीप्यमानाः
भुवो भुवि वा सुरा इव भूसुराः ब्राह्मणाः । तेषां निकरो वृन्दं येन । विरचितोऽरा-
तिसंतापो येन । रिपुदत्तसंताप इत्यर्थः । त्रियत् आकाशस्य मध्ये हंसः सूर्यः ।
घनः दर्पोऽवलेपः यस्य तादृशो कंदर्पो मन्मथः तस्य सौन्दर्यस्य सोदर्यं (सोदर्यं
बन्धुः समानोदर्युः । अत्र) सदृशम् । हृद्यं मनोहरं निरवद्यं निर्दोषं च
रूपं यस्य । लीलावत्यो योषितस्तासां कुलं तस्य शेखरमणिर्भूषणमवतंसः ।
रोषणेति । रोषणमीक्षणं नेत्रं यस्य तेन । क्रोधताम्रदृशेत्यर्थः । निटिले
भालस्थले ईक्षणं नयनं यस्येति निटिलेक्षणः शिवः तेन । मकरकेतनो

१ भुजदण्डमुद्दण्डः. २ गणिकाजनगीयमानया. ३ परिचित. ४ मेखलायित. ५ वसुमतीव.
६ रोषरूपेण निटिलेक्षणं.

भस्मीकृतचेतने मकरकेतने तदा मयेनानवद्या वनितेति मत्वा, तस्या
रोलम्बावली केशजालम्, प्रेमाकरो रजनीकरो विजितारविन्दं वदनम्,
जयध्वजायमानो भीनो जायायुतोऽक्षियुगलम्, सकलसैनिकाङ्गवीरो
मलयसमीरो निःश्वासः, पथिकहृद्दलनकरवालः प्रवालश्चाधरबिम्बम्,
जयशङ्खो बन्धुरा लावण्यधरा कंधरा, पूर्णकुम्भौ चक्रवाकानुकारौ
पयोधरौ, ज्यायमाने मार्दवासमाने विसलते च बाहू, ईषत्फुल्लालिव-
तंसकह्लारकोरको गङ्गावर्तसनाभिर्नाभिः, दूरीकृतयोगिमनोरथो जैत्रर-
थोऽतिघनं त्रघनम्, जयस्तम्भभूते सौन्दर्यभूतं विघ्नितयतिजनारम्भे रम्भे
चोर्युगम्, आतपत्रसहस्रपत्रं पादद्वयम्, अस्त्रभूताभि प्रसूनानि तानी-
तराण्यङ्गानि च समभूवन्निव । विजितामरपुरे पुष्पपुरे निवसता सा-
ऽनन्तभोगलालिता वसुमती वसुमतीव मगधराजेन यथासुखमन्वभावि ।

तस्य राज्ञः परमविधेया धर्मपालपद्मोद्भवमितवर्मनामधेया धीराधिष-
णावधीरितिविबुधाचार्यविचार्यकार्यसाहित्याः कुलामात्यास्त्रयोऽभूवन् ।

मन्मथः । अनवद्या निर्दोषा । **रोलम्बेति** । रोलम्बावली भ्रमरपङ्क्तिः । अर्थात्कामस्य
मौर्वीस्थिता । तस्याः केशजालं समभूत् । एवं सर्वत्र । प्रेम्ण आकरः खनिः ।
विजितारविन्दं विजितं कान्त्या तिरस्कृतभरविन्दं कमलं येन तत् । जयध्वज
इवाचरति जयध्वजे तिष्ठति वा जयध्वजायते । जायायुतः पत्नीसहितः । अक्षि-
युगलमक्ष्णोर्द्वयम् । अङ्गवीरः प्रधानयोधः । मलयसमीरो दक्षिणानिलः । पथिकाः
प्रोषिताः पान्थाः तेषां हृदयस्य यद्दलनं पाटनं तस्मिन्करवालः कृपाणः । प्रवालः किस-
लयः । बन्धुरोन्नतानता । कंधरा ग्रीवा । ज्यायमाने ज्येवाचरन्त्यौ । मार्दवे मृदुत्वे-
ऽसमाने । कह्लारं कमलं तस्य कोरकः कुङ्कुमलः । गङ्गाया आवर्तोऽम्भसां भ्रमः ।
तस्य सनाभिः सदृशा । दूरीकृता अपनीता योगिजनानां मनोरथा येनेति । जैत्रो जयन-
शीलः । रथो लक्षणया रथचक्रम् । **जयस्तम्भेति** । आरम्भाः कर्माणि । आरभ्यन्त
इत्यारम्भाः । रम्भे कदली । उर्वोर्युगमूर्युगम् । **आतपत्रेति** । आतपात्रायते तदा-
तपत्रं छत्रं तद्रूपं यत्सहस्रपत्रं कमलं तत् । प्रसूनानि पुष्पाणि । तद्भक्तम्—‘अरविन्दम-
शोकं च चूतं च नवमल्लिका । नीलोत्पलं च पद्मैते पद्मबाणस्य सायकाः’ इति । **विजि-
तेति** । विजितं स्ववैभवेन तिरस्कृतममरपुरमिन्द्रनगरी येन तस्मिन् । अनन्ताश्च
ते भोगाश्च तैः लालिता । पक्षे अनन्तस्य शेषस्य भोगः शरीरं तेन लालिता उपरिधार-
णेन । अन्वभावि अनुपूर्वात् ‘भू सत्तायाम्’ इति धातोः कर्मणि लङ् । **तस्येति** ।
परमं विधेया विनयग्राहिणः । धीरा प्रगल्भा या धिषणा बुद्धिस्तया अवधीरितं विबु-
धाचार्यः सुरगुल्लुस्तस्यापि विचार्य विचारार्हं कार्यसाहित्यं यैस्ते । अतीव पटु-

तेषां सितवर्मणः सुमतिसत्यवर्माणौ, धर्मपालस्य सुमन्त्रमुमित्रकामपालाः,
 पद्मोद्भवस्य सुश्रुतरत्नोद्भवाविति तनयाः संभूवन् । तेषु धर्मशीलः
 सत्यवर्मा संसारासारतां बुद्ध्वा तीर्थयात्राभिलाषी देशान्तरमगमत् ।
 विटनटवारनारीपरायणो दुर्विनीतः कामपालो जनकाग्रजन्मनोः शासनम-
 तिक्रम्य भुवं बभ्राम । रत्नोद्भवोऽपि वाणिज्यनिपुणतया पारावारतरण-
 मकरोत् । इतरे मन्त्रिसूनवः पुरंदरपुरातिथिषु पितृषु यथापूर्वमन्वतिष्ठन् ।
 ततः कदाचिन्नानाविधमहदायुधनैपुण्यरचितागण्यजन्यराजन्यमौलि-
 पालिनिहितनिशितसायको मगधनायको मालवेश्वरं प्रत्यग्रसंग्राम-
 घस्मरं समुत्कटमानसारं मानसारं प्रति सहेलैन्यककृतजलधिनिर्घोषाहं-
 कारेण भेरीझांकारेण हठिकाकर्णनाक्रान्तभयचण्डिमानं दिग्दन्ता-
 वलवलयं विघूर्णयन्निजभरनमन्मेदिनीभरेणायस्तभुजगराजमस्तकबलेन

बुद्धय इति भावः । कुलामात्या वंशकमागताः । धर्मशीलो धार्मिकः । असारतां
 फलपुताम् । अश्रुत्वमित्यर्थः । अन्यो देशो देशान्तरम् । वारस्य वृन्दस्य नार्याः
 साधारणत्वात् वारनार्यो गणिकाः । परायणस्तत्परः । दुर्विनीतोऽविनीतः । जनकश्चाग्रज-
 न्मा च तयोः । पितुर्ज्येष्ठभ्रातृभ्येत्यर्थः । शासनं निदेशम् । वाणिज्यं वणिक्कर्म भाण्डस्य
 द्वीपान्तरे नयनं द्वीपान्तरादानयनमित्यादि । पारावारः समुद्रः । पुरंदर इन्द्रस्तस्य
 पुरं नगरं तदतिथयो गृहमागताः । ' दूराच्चोपनतं श्रान्तं वैश्वदेव उपस्थितम् । अनिधिं
 तं विजानीयात् ' इति व्यामः । प्रत्य महेन्द्रनगरं गतेषु । मृतेष्विति तात्पर्यार्थः ।
 पूर्वमर्नातक्रम्य वर्तन इति यथापूर्वम् । अतिप्रन्कार्याण्यकुर्वन्मित्यर्थः । तत इति ।
 नानाविधान्यनेकप्रकाराणि महान्यायुधानि तेषु निपुणता तथा रक्षितानि कर्तव्यानि
 गान्यराज्यान्त्यनेकानि जन्यानि युद्धानि तेषु राजन्यानां अत्रियाणां मौलीनां किरी-
 टानां पालिषु प्रान्तप्रदेशेषु निहिता अभ्यारोपिताः स्थापिता वा निशि-
 तास्तृणाः सायका बाणा येनेतादृशः । प्रत्यग्रे नवीनः यः संग्रामो युद्धं तत्र धर्मरो
 भक्षकः । शत्रुनाशक इत्यर्थः । ' यत्तस्यदः कमरच ' इति वगरच । समुत्कटोऽतिरंजितो
 मान एव सारो यस्य तम् । यद्वा समुत्कटौ मानो दर्पः सारो बलं च यस्य तम् । मानगार
 इति नृपनाम । सहेलं लीलया न्यकृतोऽयभूतस्तरस्कृतो ज्ञः श्रेयः सागरस्य निर्धोर्वापयथे-
 हंकारोऽभिमानो येन । भेरीझांकारेण्यस्य विशेषणम् । भेर्यां दुन्दुभेर्भीकारो महाशब्दः ।
 हठिकाकर्णनाम्हतो वनेर्बलाच्छ्रवणादाक्रान्तो भयस्य चण्डिमा महाभयमित्यर्थः
 यं तम् । दिशां दन्तावला हस्तिनस्तेषां बल्यथकं समूहः तम् । विघूर्णयंश्चालयन् ।
 निजभरेण स्वभारेण नमन्त्यधोगच्छन्ती या मेदिनी पृथ्वी तस्या भरेण भारेणायम्नं
 पीडितं भुजगानां राजा शेषस्तस्य मस्तकबलं येन । तस्य मेदिन्या आधारभूतत्वात् ।

चतुरङ्गबलेन संयुतः संग्रामाभिलाषेण रोपेण महताऽऽविष्टो निर्ययौ ।
मालवनायोऽप्यनेकानेकपयूयमनाथो विग्रहः सविग्रह इव साग्रहोऽभिमुखी-
भूय भूयो निर्जगाम । तयोरथ रथतुरगखुरक्षुण्णक्षोणीसमुद्भूते करिष्व-
टाकटश्रवन्मदधाराधौतमूले नव्यवल्लभवरणागतदिव्यकन्याजनजवानिकाप-
टमण्डप इव वियत्तलव्याकुले धूलिपटले द्विविषदध्वनि भिक्कृतान्यध्वनि-
पटहध्वानवैधिरिताशेषदिगन्तरालं शस्त्राशस्त्रि हस्ताहस्ति परस्पराभिह-
तसैन्यं जन्यमजनि । तत्र मगधराजः प्रक्षीणसकलसैन्यमण्डलं मालेव-
राजं जीवग्राहमभिगृह्य कृपालुतया पुनरपि स्वराज्ये प्रतिष्ठापयामास ।

ततः स रत्नाकरमेखलामिलामनन्यशासनं शासदनपत्यतया
नारायणं सकललोकैककारणं निरन्तरमर्चयामास । अथ कदाचित्त-
दग्रमहिषी देवी 'देवेन कल्पवल्लीफलमाप्नुहि' इति प्रभातसमये

चतुरङ्गबलेन हस्त्यश्वरथपादातेन । महता रोपेणामिनिवेशेनेत्यर्थः आविष्टो व्याप्ता-
कारः । अनेके येऽनेकपा द्विपाः । हस्तिन इति यावत् । तेषां यूथं वृन्दं तेन सना-
थो युक्तः । विग्रहः संग्रामः । सविग्रहो मूर्तिमान् । साग्रह आग्रहेण सहितः ।
'तयोः अथ' इति छेदः । रथरथाद्रथचक्रनेमिभिः । तुरगाणामश्वानां खुरैः शफैः
क्षुण्णायाधूर्णितायाः क्षोण्याः पृथ्व्याः समुद्भूते उत्पन्ने । करिणां हस्तिनां घटाः ।
'बहूनां घटना घटा' इति इत्यायुधः । तासां कटा गण्डाः । तेभ्यः स्रवन्त्यो या
मदधारा दानसलिलासारास्ताभिर्धौतं निर्मलीकृतं मूलं यस्य । नव्या नवीना ये
वल्लभा रमणास्तेषां वरणं पतित्वेन स्वीकरणं तदर्थमागतो यो दिव्यकन्याजनोऽप्सरः-
समुदायस्तस्य जवनिका तिरस्करिणी तदर्थं पटमण्डपो इव । वियत् आकाशस्य तले
व्याकुलं संभूतं तस्मिन् । धूल्याः पांसोः पटलं चयस्तस्मिन् । दिवि सीदन्ति ते दिविषदः
देवाः तेषामध्वनि मार्गे । भिक्कृता अन्यध्वनयो येनैतादृशो यः पटहध्वानो ढकाध्व-
निस्तेन बधिरितमशेषदिगन्तरालं यस्मिन् । शस्त्राशस्त्रि । शस्त्रैः शस्त्रैश्च प्रहृत्येदं
युद्धं प्रवृत्तमिति । 'तत्र तेनेदम्-' इति बहुव्रीहिः । 'इच्छमव्यतिहारे' इतीच्छ-
भासान्तः । परस्पराभिवहतं सैन्यं यस्मिन् । जन्यं युद्धम् । प्रक्षीणं हतविध्वस्तम् ।
जीवग्राहं जीवन्तमित्यर्थः । तत इति । रत्नाकरः सागरो मेखला कटिसूत्रं यस्याः ।
इलां पृथ्वीम् । नास्त्यन्यशासनं यस्याम् । शामत् । अभ्यस्तत्वानुमभावः । सकल-

सुस्वप्नमवलोकितवती । सा तदा दयितमनोरथपुष्पभूतं गर्भमैषत्त । राजाऽपि संपन्न्यकृताखण्डलः सुहृन्नृपमण्डलं समाहूय निजसंपन्नमनोरथानुरूपं देव्याः सीमन्तोत्सवं व्यधत् ।

एकदा हितैः सुहृन्मन्त्रिपुरोहितैः सभायां मिंहासनासीनो गुणैरहीनो ललाटतटन्यस्ताञ्जलिना द्वारपालेन व्यज्ञापि—‘देव, देवसंदर्शनलालसमानसः कोऽपि देवेन विरच्यार्चनाहो यतिद्वारदेशमध्यास्ते’ इति । तदनुज्ञातेन तेन स संयमी नृपसमीपमनायि । भूपतिरायान्तं तं विलोक्य सम्यग्ज्ञाततदीयगूढचारभावो निखिलमनुचरनिकरं विसृज्य मन्त्रिजनसमेतः प्रणतमेनं मन्दहासमभाषत—‘ननु तापस, देशं सापदेशं भ्रमन्भवांस्तत्र तत्र भवदभिज्ञातं कथयतु’ इति । तेनाभाषि भूभ्रमणञ्जलिना प्राञ्जलिना—‘देव, शिरसि देवस्याज्ञामादायैनं निदोषं वेषं स्वीकृत्य मालवेन्द्रनगरं प्रविश्य तत्र गूढतरं वर्तमानस्तस्य राज्ञः समस्तमुदन्तजातं विदित्वा

लोकस्थैककारणमादिहेतुः । दयितमनोरथफलस्य पुर्णमिव भूतम् । संयदा न्यक्कृत आखण्डल इन्द्रो येन । सुहृदश्च ये नृपाश्च स्तेषां मण्डलम् । सुहृदश्च नृपाश्चति वा । निजैति । निजसंपन्नमनोरथयोरनुरूपं सदृशम् । रूपस्य योग्यमनुरूपम् । सीमन्तोत्सवं सीमन्तोन्नयनसंज्ञः संस्कारस्तदनुपङ्गिकमुत्सवम् । तथा चाश्वत्थान्नः—‘चतुर्थे गर्भमासे सीमन्तोन्नयनम्’ इति । सीमन्तः केशवेशो यस्मिन्कमेणुप्रायत तत्सीमन्तोन्नयनम् । एकंदति । हितैः पथ्यैः । सिंहासनं भद्रासनं तत्रासीनः । अहीनोऽन्यूनः । ललाटतटे न्यस्तः अञ्जलियेन तेन । लालतमभिलाषयुक्तम् । विरच्यार्कतव्या यार्चना तामर्हतीति । यतिभिर्भुः । द्वारदेशमिति । ‘अधिशाङ्क्यासाम्’ इति कर्मत्वम् । द्वारं तिष्ठतीत्यर्थः । तेनानुज्ञातस्तदनुज्ञातः । संयमी यतिः । आयान्तमागच्छन्तम् । सम्यक्मुष्टु ज्ञातोऽवगतः । तदीयः तत्संबन्धी गूढः प्रच्छन्न-श्चारभावो यस्य सः । निखिलं सर्वम् । अनुचरनिकरमनुयायिवर्गम् । विसृज्य दूरमपसार्य । प्रणतं प्रह्वम् । मन्दहासमिति क्रियाविशेषणम् । तत्र तत्र तेषु तेषु स्थानेषु । भवताऽभिज्ञातं भवदभिज्ञातम् । कथयत्वित्यत्र भवच्छब्दस्य कर्तृत्वेन प्रयोगात्प्रथमपुरुषः । भूभ्रमणे भ्रमणविषये बली समर्थस्तेन । प्रबद्धोऽञ्जलियेन । शिरसीति । अङ्गाकृत्येत्यर्थः । निदोषं दोषविवर्जितम् । मालवेन्द्रो मानसारः । गूढतरम् । अतिशयेन गूढमित्यर्थः । उदन्तो वार्ता उदन्तजातः

प्रत्यागमम् । मानी मन । १२ स्वसैनिकायुष्मत्तान्तराये संपराये भवतः
पराजयमनुभूय वैलक्ष्यलक्ष्यहृदयो धीतदयो महःकालनिवासिनं काली-
विलासिनमनश्वरं महेश्वरं समाराध्य तपःप्रभावसंतुष्टादस्मादेकैवीरारा-
तिर्घ्नी भयदां गदां लब्ध्वाऽऽत्मानमप्रतिभटं मन्यमानो महाभिमानो
भवन्तमभियोक्तुमुद्युक्ते । ततः परं देव एव प्रमाणम् ' इति । तदालोच्य
निश्चिततत्कृत्यैरमात्यै राजा विज्ञापितोऽभूत्—' देव, निरुपायेन देवसं-
हायेन योद्धुमरातिरायाति । तस्मादस्माकं युद्धं सांप्रतमसांप्रतम् । सहस्र
दुर्गसंश्रयः कार्यः ' इति । तैर्बहुधा विज्ञापितोऽप्यखर्वेण गर्वेण विरा-
जमानो राजा तद्वाक्यमकृत्यमित्यनादृत्य प्रतियोद्धुमना बभूव । शिति-
कण्ठदत्तशक्तिसारो मानसारो योद्धुमनसामग्रीभूय सामग्रीसमेतोऽक्लेशं
मगधदेशं प्रावेवेश । तदा तदाकर्ण्य मन्त्रिणो भूमहेन्द्रं मग-
धेन्द्रं कथंचिदनुनीय रिपुभिरसाध्ये विन्ध्यादवीमध्येऽवरोधान्मूलबल-

मखिलां प्रवृत्तिम् । विदित्वा ज्ञात्वा । **मानीति** । ताच्छीत्ये णिनिः । स्वसैनिका
निजभद्रास्तेषामायुष्मत्ता जीविन्मर्यादा तस्या अन्तराये विप्रस्तस्मिन् । संपराये
युद्धे । भवतो देवात् । वैलक्ष्येण दैन्येन लब्धमाक्रान्तं हृदयं यस्य सः । धीता नष्टा
दया यस्य सः । महाकाले निवासोऽस्त्यस्य तस्य । कालाविलासिनं कालापनिम् ।
अनश्वरं नाशरहितम् । महःश्लासावीश्वरश्च महेश्वरस्तम् । समाराध्य शम्यगाराध्य ।
तपसस्तदावरितस्य प्रभावः सामर्थ्यं तेन संतुष्टादधीतात् । अस्मान्महेश्वरात् । एक-
वीरश्लासावरानिश्च ते हन्तीति । भयदां भयदात्रीम् । गदामायुधविशेषम् । अप्रतिभटं
न विद्यते प्रतिभटो यस्य तम् । महानभिमानोऽहंकारो यस्य सः । अभियोक्तुम-
भिषेणितुम् । उद्युक्ते उद्युक्तो भवति । देव एव प्रमाणम् । किंकर्तव्यतानिर्णेत-
त्यर्थः । निश्चितं निर्णतं तत्कृत्यं तत्कालोचितं कृत्यं राजकृत्यं वा यस्य । अमा-
त्यैर्मन्त्रिभिः । निरुपायेन नास्त्युपायः प्रतीकारो यस्य तेन । देवसंहायेन देवसा-
मग्र्येति यावत् । अरातिः शत्रुः । सांप्रतमधुना । असांप्रतमयुक्तम् । न खर्वोऽखर्वः ।
महानित्यर्थः । विराजमानः शोभमानः । अदृत्यं कर्तुमनुचितम् । अनादृत्य
अनादरं कृत्वा । शितिकण्ठः शिवस्तेन दत्ता या शक्तिः प्रहरणविशेषः स एव सारो
बलं यस्य सः । योद्धुमनसां युद्धकामानाम् । ' तुंक् नमनसोरपि ' इत्यनुस्वारलोपः ।
अग्रीभूय पुरो भूत्वा । सामग्र्या समेतो युक्तः । अक्लेशमिति क्रियाविषयम् । ' तत्र
आकर्ण्य ' इति छेदः । भुवि पृथिव्यां महेन्द्रस्तम् । कथंचियन्नेन । अनुनीय
प्राप्य । असाध्ये दुर्गादनीये । अवरोधान्नाजस्त्रियः । मूलबलेन प्रधानैर्न्येन

रक्षितान्निवेशयामासुः । राजहंसस्तु प्रशस्तवीतदैर्न्यसैन्यममेतस्तीव्रगत्या
निर्गत्याधिकरुषं द्विषं रुरोध । परस्परवद्धवैरयोरेतयोः शूरयोस्तदा
तदालोकनकुतूहलायतगगनचराश्चर्यकारणे रणे वर्तमाने जयाकाङ्क्षी
मालवदेशरक्षी विविधायुधस्थैर्यचर्याञ्चिन्ममगत्तुलिनामरेश्वरस्य मगधे-
श्वरस्य तस्योपरि पुरा पुरारातिदत्तां गदां प्राहिणोत् । निशि-
तशरनिकरशकलीकृताऽपि सा पशुपतिशासनम्यावन्ध्यतया सूतं निहत्य
रथस्थं राजानं मूर्च्छितमकार्षीत् । ततो वीतप्रग्रहा अक्षतविग्रहा बाहा
रथमादाय दैवगत्याऽन्तःपुरशरण्यं महारण्यं प्राविशत् । मालवनयो
जयलक्ष्मीसनाथो मगधराज्यं प्राज्यं समाक्रम्य पुष्पपुरमध्यतिष्ठत् ।

तत्र हेतिततिहतिश्रान्ता अमात्या दैवगत्याऽनुत्क्रान्तजीविता
निशान्तवातलब्धसंज्ञाः कथंचिदाश्रम्य राजानं समन्तदन्वीक्ष्या-

रक्षितान् । निवेशयामासुः स्थापितदन्तः । प्रशस्तेति । वीतं गतं दैन्यं यस्मा-
त्तद्वातदैर्न्यम् । प्रशस्तं च तद्वातदैर्न्यं च तादृशं गेन्यं तेन ममेतः । तीव्रा
चासौ गतिश्च तथा । निर्गत्येति । अविष्का रुद्ध यस्य तम् । द्विपमरि रुरोध ।
परस्परंरति । परस्परेण वद्धं वैरं यान्त्यां तयोः । तदालोकनेति । तस्या-
लोकने दर्शने शून्यकुतूहले कौतुके तदर्थमागता ये गगनचरा देवाः तेषामा-
श्चर्यस्य कारणं तस्मिन् । वर्तमाने प्रवृत्ते । जयमाकाङ्क्षनेन साः । मालवदेशस्य
रक्षी रक्षिता वृषः । विविधंति । विविधानि नैकप्रकाराणि यान्यायुधानि प्रहरणानि
तेषां स्थैर्येण चर्या चालनमुपयोगः प्रयोगो वा । तथाऽञ्चितं युक्तं यत्तमरं युद्धं
तस्मिन्तुलितोऽमरेश्वर इन्द्रो येन तस्य । पुरारातीति । पुरारानिः शंकरस्तेन
दत्ताम् । निशितास्तीक्ष्णाश्च ते शराश्च तेषां निकरः समुदायस्तेन शकलीकृता
खण्डशः कृताऽपि । सा गदा । पशूनां जीवानां पतिः पशुपतिः शिवस्तस्य
शासनस्याज्ञाया अवन्ध्यतया सफलभावितात् । रथस्थं रथे निष्ठतीति ।
वीताः प्रग्रहा येषां ते वीतप्रग्रहा मुक्तरज्जनयः । अक्षनो विग्रहः शरीरं येषाम् ।
बाहा अश्वाः । दैवगत्या गच्छत्या । अन्तःपुरस्य राजन्वीणा शरणे साधु शरण्यम् ।
जयलक्ष्मीति । जयलक्ष्म्या सनाथो युक्तः । प्राज्यं पुष्कलम् ।
पुष्पपुरमिति । 'अधिशीङ्स्थामा-' इति कर्मत्वम् । तत्रेति । हेती-
नामायुधानां तन्त्रयः समुदायास्तेर्हतिश्रान्तान् प्रहारभक्तेन श्रान्ताः । अनुत्क्रा-
न्तेति । न उत्क्रान्तं जीवितं प्राणा येषां ते । निशया अन्तोऽवसानं तन्मन्वि
वातेनार्थाच्छीतलेन लब्धा प्राप्ता संज्ञा येस्ते । कथंचिन्सहता आयासेन । आश्रम्य

नवलोकितवन्तो दैन्यवन्तो देवीमवापुः । वसुमती तु तेभ्यो निखिल-
सैन्यक्षतिं राज्ञोऽदृश्यत्वं चाकर्ण्योद्विग्ना शोकसागरमग्ना रमणानुगमने
मतिं व्यधत् । ‘कल्याणि, भूरमणमरणमनिश्चितम् । किं च दैवज्ञ-
कथितो मथितोद्धतारातिः सार्वभौमोऽभिरामो भविता सुकुमारः कुमार-
स्त्वदुदरे वसति । तस्मादद्य तव मरणमनुचितम् ’ इति भूषितभाषितै-
रमात्यपुरोहितैरनुनीयमानया तया क्षणं क्षणहीनया तूष्णीमस्थायि ।
अथार्धरात्रे निद्रानिलीढनेत्रे परिजने विजने शोकपारावारमपारमुत्तु-
मशक्नुवती सेनानिवेशदेश निःशब्दलेशं शनैरतिक्रम्य यस्मिन्नथस्य
संसक्ततया तदानयनपलायनश्रान्ता गन्तुमक्षमाः क्षमापतिरय्याः
पथ्याकुलाः पूर्वमतिष्ठन्तस्य निकटवटतरोः शाखायां मृतिरेखायामिव
काचिदुत्तरीयार्धेन बन्धनं मृतिसाधनं विरच्य मर्तुकामाऽभिरामा

धैर्यावष्टम्भं कृत्यः । समन्तादितस्ततः । दैन्यवन्तो दैन्यं खेदस्तद्वन्तः । निखि-
लेति । निखिलस्य सर्वस्य सैन्यस्य क्षतिर्नाशस्तम् । शोकेति । शोक एव
सागरस्तस्मिन्मग्ना । रमणानुगमने पतिमनु मरणे । मतिं व्यधत् निश्चयं चकार ।
कल्याणीति । कल्याणि कल्याणलक्षणेति इति संवृद्धिः । भुवो रमणो बल्लभः ।
पतिरित्यर्थः । देवस्येति तात्पर्यम् । अनिश्चितं न निर्णीतम् । किं चापि चान्यच्च ।
दैवज्ञेन कार्त्तान्तिकेन । ज्यौतिषिकेणेत्यर्थः । कथितः । मथिता मथित्यमाणा
उद्धता धृष्टा अरातयो येन सः । सार्वभौमश्चक्रवर्ती । अभिरामो मनोज्ञः । अनु-
चितमयुक्तम् । भूषितं मूर्ध्निराख्यं भाषितं भाषणं येषां तैः । भाषितमिति
भावे क्तः । अमात्येति । अमान्याश्च पुरोहिताश्च तैः । पुरोहिताः
पुरोधयाः । अनुनीयत दृश्यनुनीयमाना तथा । क्षणं क्षणपर्यन्तम् । ‘कालाध्वनोः-’
इति द्वितीया । तूष्णीं जोषम् । अथानन्तरम् । अर्धरात्रे निशीथे । निद्रया निलीढे
नेत्रे यस्य स तस्मिन् । परिजनेऽनुचरवर्गे । विजने विविक्ते । शोकपारावारं शोक-
समुद्रम् । अपारं पारयितुमशक्यम् । सेनाया निवेशः शिविरम् । वासस्थानमिति
यावत् । तस्य देशः प्रदिशः । निर्गतः शब्दलेशो यस्मात्तम् । संसक्तस्य भावस्तथा ।
तस्यानयनं तदानयनं तस्मिन्त्यपलायनं तेन श्रान्ताः । अक्षमा असमर्थाः । क्षमायाः
पृथ्व्याः पतिः स्वामी भर्ता वा तस्य रथ्या वाहाः । ‘तद्वहति रथयुग-’ इति यः ।
‘पथि आकुलाः’ इति च्छेदः । मृतेर्मरणस्य रेखा तस्याम् । उत्तरीयस्य संव्यानस्य ।
विरच्य कृत्वा । मर्तुं कामो यस्याः सा । ‘तुं काममनसोरपि’ इत्यनुस्वारलोपः ।

वाङ्माधुरीविरसीकृतकलकण्ठा साश्रुकण्ठा व्यलपत्—‘ लावण्योप-
मितपुष्पसायक भूनायक, भवानेव भाविन्यपि जन्मनि वल्लभो भवतु ’
इति । तदाकर्ण्य नीहारकरकिरणनिकरसंपर्कलब्धभावबोधो मागधोऽगाध-
रुधिरविक्षरणनष्टचेष्टो देवीवाक्यमेव निश्चिन्वानस्तन्वानः प्रियवचनानि
शनैस्तामाह्वयत् । सा ससंभ्रममागत्यामन्दहृदयानन्दसंफुल्लवदनार-
विन्दा तमुपोषिताभ्यामिवानिमिषिताभ्यां लोचनाभ्यां पिबन्ती
विकस्वरेण स्वरेण पुरोहितामात्यजनमुच्चैराहूय तेभ्यस्तमदर्शयत् ।
राजा निटिलतटचुम्बितनिजचरणाम्बुजैः प्रशंसितदैवमाहात्म्यैर-
मत्यैरभाणि—‘ देव, रथ्यचयः सारथ्यपगमे रथं रभसादरप्यमन-
यत् ’ इति । ‘ तत्र निहतसैनिकग्रामे संग्रामे मालवपतिनाऽऽराधि-
तपुरारातिना प्रहितया गदया दयाहीनेन ताडितो मूर्च्छामागत्यात्र
वने निशान्तपवनेन बोधितोऽभवम् ’ इति महीपतिरकथयत् ।

वाचो माधुरी माधुर्यं तथा विरसोकृतोऽधरीकृतः कलकण्ठः कोकिलो यया सा ।
व्यलपत् । स्त्रोदेत्यर्थः । लावण्येनोपमितः पुष्पसायको मदनो येन तत्संबुद्धैः ।
भूनायक पृथ्वीपते । भाविन्यागामिनि । वल्लभो रमणः । नीहारकरश्चन्द्रस्तस्य
किरणानां मयूखानां निकरस्य समुदायस्य संपर्केण लब्धः प्राप्तोऽवबोधः संज्ञा येन सः ।
प्रकृतिमापन्न इत्यर्थः । मागधो मगधाधिपो राजहंसः । अगाधं बहुलम् । निश्चिन्वानो
निश्चयं कुर्वन् । ससंभ्रमं सत्वरम् । न मन्दोऽमन्दः । हृदयस्यानन्दो हृदयानन्दः ।
अमन्दश्चासौ हृदयानन्दश्चामन्दहृदयानन्दः । तेन संफुल्लं सम्यग्विकसितं प्रसन्नं
वदनारविन्दं मुखकमलं यस्याः सा । उपोषिताभ्यां जातोत्कण्ठाभ्यामित्यर्थः ।
अनिमिषिताभ्यां निमेषरहिताभ्याम् । विकस्वरेण समुन्मीलितेन । उच्चैरिति क्रिया-
विशेषणम् । निटिलतटेन भालस्थलेन चुम्बितं निजचरणाम्बुजं यैस्तैः ।
प्रशंसितं देवस्य माहात्म्यं महिमा यैस्तैः । रथ्यचयोऽश्वसमुदायः । सारथेर-
पगमो नाशस्तस्मिन् । रभसाद्वेगेन । निहतो निःशेषं हतः सैनिकग्रामो योध-
समूहो यस्मिंस्तथाभूते । आराधितः संतोषितः पुरारातिः शिवो येन तेन ।
प्रहितया प्रेरितया । निशान्तः प्रभातं तत्संबन्धिना पवनेन वायुना । ‘ निशीत—’
इति पाठे नितरां शीत इति पवनविशेषणम् । ‘ निशीथ—’ इति पाठे निशीथोऽ-

ततो विरचितमहेन मन्त्रनिवहेन विरचितदेवानुकूल्येन कालेन शिबि-
रमानीयापनीताशेषशल्यो विकसितनिजाननारविन्दो राजा सहसा
विरोपितव्रणोऽकारि । विरोधिदैवधिकृतपुरुषकारो दैन्यव्यासाकारो
मगधाधिपातिरधिकाधिरमात्यसंमत्या मृदुभाषितया तथा वसुमत्या
मत्या कलितया च समबोधि—‘ देव, सकलस्य भूपालकुलस्य मध्ये
तेजोवरिष्ठो गरिष्ठो भवानद्य विन्ध्यवनमध्ये निवसतीति जलबुद्बुदस-
माना विराजमाना संपत्तडिल्लेतव सहसैवादेति नश्यति च । तन्निविलं
दैवायत्तमेवावधार्य कार्यम् । किं च पुरा हरिश्चन्द्ररामचन्द्रमुख्या असंख्या
महीन्द्रा ऐश्वर्योपमितमहेन्द्रा दैवतन्त्रं दुःखयन्त्रं सम्पद्गानुभूय पश्चाद-
नेककालं निजराज्यमकुर्वन् । तद्वदेव भयान्भविष्यति । कंचन कालं
विरचितदैवसमाधिर्गताधिस्तिष्ठतु तावत् ’ इति ।

ततः सकलसैन्यसमन्वितो राजहंसस्तपोविभ्राजमानं वामदे-
वनामानं तपोधनं निजाभिलाषावाप्तिसाधनं जगाम । तं प्रणम्य

धराधस्तत्संबन्धिनेति । विरचितां महः पूजासत्कारो येन तेन । मन्त्रिणां निवहो
वृन्दं तेन । विरचितं कृतं देवानुकूल्यं येन तेन । शिबिरं सेनाया वासस्थानम् ।
अमनीतान्युद्धतान्यशेषाणि सर्वाणि शल्यानि बाणाग्राणि शङ्खो वा यस्य सः ।
शल्यति गच्छतीति शल्यम् । विरोपिताधिकस्तिता व्रणा यस्य सः । विरोधिना-
ऽननुकूल्येन दैवेन भागधेयेन धिक्कृतः पुरुषकारो विक्रमः पौरुषमिति यावद्यस्य सः ।
दैन्येन खेदेन व्याप्त आकारो यस्य सः । अतिशयेनाधिका आधिर्मनोव्यथा यस्य
सः । अमात्यानां संमतिस्तथा । मृदु भाषितं यस्यास्तथा । मत्या बुद्ध्या कलितया
युक्तया । तेजसा वरिष्ठः । अतिशयेन गुह्यगरिष्ठः । ‘प्रियस्थिर—’ इत्यादिना ‘वर्’ ‘गर्’
इत्यादेशाः । जलस्य बुद्बुदो विकारस्तत्समाना तत्सदृशी । तडिल्लता विद्युत् ।
गहसाऽकस्मात् । उदेत्युद्गच्छति दृक्पथमायाति । अवधार्य निणेतव्यम् ।
ऐश्वर्येण विभवोपमितस्तुर्व्याकृतां महेन्द्रो देवराजो यैस्ते । दैवतन्त्रं दैव-
चालितम् । दुःखयन्त्रं दुःखमेव यन्त्रं तत् । विरचिता दैवसमाधिर्येन सः ।
गत आधिर्यस्य सः । तत इति । समन्वितो युक्तः । तपसा विशेषेण भ्राजते
दीप्यतेऽसौ तम् । तप एव धनं यस्य तम् । निजोऽभिलाषस्तस्यावाप्तिः

तेन कृतातिथ्यस्तस्मै कथितकथ्यस्तदाश्रमे दूरीकृतश्रमे कंचन कालमुषित्वा निजराज्याभिलाषी मितभाषी सोमकुलावतंसो राज-हंसो मुनिमभाषत—‘ भगवन्, मानसारः प्रबलेन दैवबलेन मां निर्जित्य मद्भोग्यं राज्यमनुभवति । तद्वदहमप्युग्रं तपो विरच्य तमरातिमुन्मूलयिष्यामि लोकशरण्येन भवत्कारुण्येनेति नियमवन्तं भवन्तं प्राप्नवम् ’ इति । ततस्त्रिकालज्ञस्तपोधनो राजानमवो-चत्—‘ सखे, शरीरकाश्यकारिणा तपसाऽलम् । वसुमतीगर्भस्थः सकलरिपुकुलमर्दनो राजनन्दनो नूनं संभविष्यति । कंचन कालं तूष्णीमास्व ’ इति । गगनचारिण्याऽपि वाण्या ‘ सत्यमेतत् ’ इति तदैवावाचि । राजाऽपि मुनिवाक्यमङ्गीकृत्यातिष्ठत् ।

ततः संपूर्णगर्भदिवसां वसुमती सुमुहूर्ते सकललक्षणलक्षितं सुत-मसूत । ब्रह्मवर्चसेन तुलितवेधसं पुरोधसं पुरस्कृत्य कृत्यविन्मही-पतिः कुमारं सुकुमारं जातसंस्कारेण बालालंकारेण च विराजमानं राजवाहननामानं व्यधत् । तस्मिन्नेव काले सुमतिमुमन्त्रसुमित्र-सुश्रुतानां मन्त्रिणां प्रमतिभिन्नगुप्तमन्त्रगुप्तविश्रुतारूपा महामिथ्याः

प्राप्तिस्तस्य साधनं साधनभूतम् । कृतमातिथ्यं यस्य सः । कथितं निवेदितं कथ्यं कथयितुं योग्यं सर्वं येनैतादृशः । तदाश्रम इति । दूरीकृतः श्रमो यत्रैतादृशे । सोमकुलस्य चन्द्रवंशस्यावतंसो भूषणं ललामभूतः । मान-सार इति राजनाम । मया भोग्यं भोक्तव्यम् । अराति शत्रुम् । उन्मूलयिष्याम्युन्मूलयितुमुद्यतोऽस्मि । लोकानां शरणे रक्षणे साधु तेन । निय-मवन्तं व्रतिनम् । त्रिकालज्ञो भूतभविष्यद्वर्तमानकालगतं जानातीति तथा । सखे इति कोमलामन्त्रणम् । शरीरस्य देहस्य काश्यं कृशस्य भावस्तत्करो-तीति तेन । तपसाऽलं तपो माऽनुतिष्ठेति भावः । नूनं निश्चितम् । तूष्णीं जोषम् । तत इति । संपूर्णा गर्भदिवसा नव मासा नव दिवसाश्च यस्याः सा । सकललक्षणैर्लक्षितं युक्तम् । ब्रह्मणो वर्चो ब्रह्मवर्चसम् । ‘ ब्रह्महस्तिभ्यां वर्चसः ’ इत्यच् । तुलितो वेधा ब्रह्मा येन तम् । पुरोधसमुपाध्यायम् । कृत्यं वेत्तीति तथा । जातसंस्कारेण जननकालेऽनुष्ठितसंस्कारेण बालाद्वैरलंकारैश्च विराजमानं विशेषेण शोभमानम् । व्यधत् कृतवान् । सुमत्यादीनि मन्त्रिनामानि । प्रमत्यादीनि सुतनामानि । महत्यभिख्या शोभा येषां ते महामिथ्याः । ‘ महदभिख्याः ’ इति प्रयोगश्चिन्त्यः ।

सूनवो नवोद्यदिन्दुरुचश्चिरायुषः समजायन्त । राजवाहनो मन्त्रिपुत्रै-
रात्ममित्रैः सह बालकेलीरनुभवन्नवर्धत ।

अथ कदाचिदेकेन तापसेन रसेन राजलक्षणविराजितं कंचिन्नयना-
नन्दकरं सुकुमारं कुमारं राज्ञे समर्प्यावाचि—‘ भूवल्लभ कुशसमि-
दानयनाय वनं गतेन मया काचिदशरण्या व्यक्तकार्पण्याऽश्रु मुञ्चन्ती
बनिता विलोकिता । ‘ निर्जने वने किंनिमित्तं रुद्यते त्वया ’ इति
पृष्ट्वा सा कररुहैरश्रु प्रमृज्य सगद्गदं मामवोचत्—‘ मुने लाव-
ण्यजितपुष्पसायके मिथिलानायके कीर्तिव्यापृतसुधर्मणि निजसुहृदो
मगधराजस्य सीमन्तिनीसीमन्तमहोत्सवाय पुत्रदारसमन्विते पुष्पपुरमु-
पेत्य कंचन कालमधिवसति समाराधितगिरीशो मालवाधीशो मगध-
राजं योद्धुमभ्यगात् । तत्र प्रख्यातयोरेतयोरसंख्ये संख्ये वर्तमाने
सुहृत्साहाय्यकं कुर्वाणो निजबले सति विदेहे विदेहेश्वरः प्रहारवर्मा ज-
यवता रिपुणाऽभिगृह्य कारुण्येन पुण्येन विसृष्टो हतावशेषेण शून्येन सैन्येन

नवः प्रातिपदिकः । उद्यन्नुदच्छन् । इन्दुश्चन्द्रमाः । तस्य रुक्कान्तिरिव कान्तियेषां
ते । चिरायुपश्चिरजीविनः । अथेति । तापसेन मुनिना । रसेन रागेण ।
कुशाश्च समिधश्च तेषामानयनं तस्मै । नास्ति शरण्यं रक्षिता यस्याः सा ।
व्यक्तं कार्पण्यं देन्यं यस्याः सा । मुञ्चन्तीत्यत्र तुदादित्वाद्वैकल्पिको नृम् ।
निर्जने जनसंचाररहिते । कररुहैः अङ्गुलिभिः । करे रोहन्तीति तैः । यद्यपि कररुह-
शब्दो नखपरस्तथाऽप्यत्राङ्गुलिवाचकः । करसरोरुहैरिति पाठे करावेव सरोरुहाणि तैः ।
करसरोरुहाभ्यामिति समीचीनः पाठः । प्रमृज्य । ‘ मृजू शुद्धौ ’ इति धातुः ।
त्यबन्तम् । सगद्गदं गद्गदस्वरेण । लावण्येन सौन्दर्येण जितः पुष्पसायको मदनो येन
तस्मिन् । कीर्त्या व्यापृता सुधर्मा देवसभा येन तस्मिन् । ‘ धर्मादनिच्छेदवलात् ’ इति
धर्मशब्दस्य धर्मनादेशः । निजसुहृदः स्वमित्रस्य । सीमन्तिनी बधूस्तस्याः सीमन्तम-
होत्सवो गर्भिण्यवस्थायामनुष्ठातव्यस्य सीमन्तोन्नयनाख्यसंस्कारस्योत्सवस्तदर्थम् ।
पुत्रश्च दाराश्च पुत्रदारास्तैः समन्विते युक्ते । ‘ उपान्वध्याङ्गवसः ’ इत्यनेन कालस्य
कर्मत्वम् । समाराधितः सम्यक्पूजितः संतोषितो वा गिरीशः शिवो येन सः ।
संख्ये युद्धे । सुहृदः साहाय्यकम् । साहाय्यमेव साहाय्यकम् । स्वार्थे कप् । निजबले
आत्मसैन्ये । विदेहे मृत इत्यर्थः । ‘ असति विधेये ’ इति पाठे ‘ विधेयो विनयप्राप्ती ’
इति कोशाद्विनयातिक्रमणशील इति भावः । विदेहानामीश्वरः प्रभुः । शून्येन रिक्तेन ।

सह स्वपुरगमनमकरोत् । ततो वनमार्गेण दुर्गेण गच्छन्नधिकबलेन
 शबरबलेन रभसादभिहन्यमानो मूलबलाभिरक्षितावरोधः स महानिरोधः
 पलायिष्ट । तदीयार्भकयोर्यमयोर्धात्रीभावेन परिकल्पिताऽहं मद्बहिताऽपि
 तीव्रगतिं भूपतिमनुगन्तुमक्षमे अभूव । तत्र विवृतवदनः कोऽपि रूपी
 कोप इव व्याघ्रः शीघ्रं मामाघ्रातुमागतवान् । भीताऽहमुदग्रप्राणिं स्व-
 लन्ती पर्यपतम् । मदीयपाणिभ्रष्टो बालकः कस्यापि कपिलाशवस्य
 क्रोममभ्यलीयत । तच्छवाकर्षिणोऽमर्षिणो व्याघ्रस्य प्राणान्बाणो
 बाणासनयन्त्रमुक्तोऽपाहरत् । विलोलालको बालकोऽपि शबरैरादाय
 कुत्रचिर्दपानीयत । कुमारमपरमुद्वहन्ती मद्बहिता कुत्र गता न जाने ।
 साऽहं मोहं गता केनापि कृपालुना वृष्णिपालेन स्वकुटीरमावेक्ष्य
 विरोपितव्रणाऽभवम् । ततः स्वस्थीभूय भूयः क्षमाभर्तुरन्तिकमुप-
 तिष्ठासुरसहायतया दुहितुरनभिज्ञाततया च व्याकुलीभवामि ।
 इत्यभिदधाना ' एकाकिन्यपि स्वामिनं गमिष्यामि ' इति सा तदैव

दुःखेन गन्तुं शक्यो दुर्गस्तेन । अधिकं बलं यस्य तेन । शबराणां भिन्नानां
 बलेन सेनया । रभसाद्वेगेन । अभिहन्यमानः । कर्मणि शानच् । मूलबलं प्रधान-
 नसैन्यं तेनाभिरक्षितोऽवरोधः शुद्धान्तो यस्य सः । महानिरोधो यस्य स तथा । पला-
 यिष्ट । ' अयं गतो ' इति धातुः । परेन्युपसर्गस्थरस्य स्थाने ' उपसर्गस्यायतो ' इति
 लादेशः । लुङ् । तस्यैव तदर्थो च तावर्भकौ तथोः । यमयोः सहजातयोः ।
 धात्र्या उपमानुर्भावस्तेन । तीव्रा गतिर्यस्य तम । अक्षमे अभूवेत्यत्र प्रगृह्यत्वान्न संधिः ।
 रूपी मूर्तिमान् । आघ्रातुं नाशयितुम् । उद्गतान्यप्राणिं यस्यैतादृशो यो घ्राता तस्मिन् ।
 ' उदग्रपाणिः ' इति पाठे उदग्रः पाणिर्यस्याः सेत्यक्षमित्यस्य विशेषणं द्रष्टव्यम् ।
 भ्रष्टश्च्युतः । कपिलाया गोः शवः कुणपस्तस्य । कौडमङ्कदेशम् । अभ्यलीयत प्रच्छन्नः
 अभूत् । बाणासनं धनुस्तदेव यन्त्रं तस्मान्मुक्तः । अपाहरज्जहार । विलोलाश्चलला
 अलकाश्रूणकुन्तला यस्य सः । आदाय गृहीत्वा । कुत्रचिदनिर्दिष्टे । अज्ञातप्रदेशे इति
 यावत् । अपरं यमजं द्वितीयम् । उद्वहन्ती धारयन्ती । सेति पूर्वनिर्दिष्टा । मोहं गता विगत-
 संज्ञा । वृष्णिपालेन मेषपालेन । स्वकुटीरं स्ववासगृहम् । आवेक्ष्य । निजन्ताल्ल्यप् । विरो-
 पिता व्रणा यस्याः सा । भूयः पुनः । क्षमाभर्तुर्नरेन्द्रस्य । उपतिष्ठामुपस्थानुमिच्छुः ।
 अभिदधानाऽभिधत्तेऽसौ । एका एवैकाकिन्यसहाया । तदैव तस्मिन्नेव क्षणे ।

निरगात् । अहमपि भवन्मित्रस्य विदेहनाथस्य विपान्निमित्तं विषादमनु-
भवस्तदन्वयाङ्कुरं कुमारमन्विष्यस्तदैकं चण्डिकामन्दिरं सुन्दरं प्रागात् ।
तत्र मंततमेवंविधविजयसिद्धये कुमारं देवतोपहारं करिष्यन्तः किराताः
' महीरुहशाखावल्म्बितमेनमसिलतया वा, सैकततले खनननिक्षिप्तचरणं
लक्षीकृत्य शितशरनिकरेण वा, अनेकचरणैः पलायमानं कुक्कुरबाल-
कैवो दंशयित्वा संहनिष्यामः ' इति भाषमाणा मया समभ्यभाष्यन्त-
' ननु किरातोत्तमाः घोरप्रचारे क्रान्तारे स्वलितपथः स्थविरभूसुरोऽहं
मम पुत्रकं कचिच्छायायां निक्षिप्य मार्गान्वेषणाथ किंचिदन्तरम-
गच्छम् । स कुत्र गतः केन वा गृहीतः परीक्ष्यापि न वीक्ष्यते ।
तन्मुखौवलोकनेन विनाऽनेकान्यहान्यतीतानि । किं करोमि क यामि
भवद्भिर्न किमदर्शि ' इति । ' द्विजेत्तम कश्चिदत्र तिष्ठति । किमेष
तव नन्दनः संत्यमेव । तदन गृहाण ' इत्युक्त्वा दवानुकूल्येन मह्यं
तं व्यतरन् । तेभ्यो दत्ताशीरहं बालकमङ्गीकृत्य शिशिरोदकादिनोपचारे-

विषादं खेदम् । तस्यान्वयो वंशस्तस्याङ्कुरः प्ररोहः । चण्डिकाया मन्दिरमायतनम् ।
एवं विधा प्रकारो यस्य तादृशो यो विजयस्तस्य सिद्धिस्तस्यै । देवतायै
उपहारस्तम् । महीरुहो वृक्षस्तस्य शाखायामवलम्बितम् । असिलता खड्गः । इदं
केचित्किराता आहुः । मिकताः गन्त्यस्मिन्निति सैकतम् । सैकतं च तत्तलं च ।
खनने निक्षिप्तौ भूमौ क्रीलिनौ चरणौ यस्य तम् । शितास्तीक्ष्णाश्च ते शराश्च तेषां
निकरेण । इत्यन्ये । अनेकचरणैरिति कुक्कुरबालकैरित्यस्य विशेषणम् । पलायमानमेनं
बालकम् । दंशयित्वा दंशं कारयित्वा । ' दंदशयित्वा ' इति पाठे यङन्तप्र-
योगः । इदमध्यपरे । किरातात्तमाः । प्रार्थनानुकूलमेतत्संबोधनम् ।
घोरः प्रचारः संचारो यस्मिंस्तथा । क्रान्तारे वने । स्वलितः पन्था यस्य
सः । ' ऋक्पूरब्धुःपथामानक्षे ' इत्यनेन पथिन् इत्यस्य पथः । स्थविरो वृद्धः ।
भूसुरो भुवि पृथ्व्यां सुरो द्विजः । निक्षिप्य संस्थाप्य । मार्गस्यान्वेषणं
गवेषणम् । मुखौवलोकनेन विना । ' पृथग्विनानाना-—' इति तृतीया । अतीतानि
गतानि । अदर्शि ! ' दृशिर् प्रेक्षणं ' । कर्मणि लुङ् । गृहाण । ' प्रह उपादाने ' ।
लोढो रूपम् । देवस्थानुकूल्यं तेन । व्यतरन्दत्तवन्तः । दत्ता आशीः आशीर्वादो येन सः ।

१ विलम्बि०. २ दंदश०. ३ किराताः; नमोघोरप्रचारे, सुघोरप्र०. ४ ०वलोकनमुल्लेखन.
५ सत्यमेतदेवं तदेनं गृहाण.

णाश्वास्य निःशङ्कं भवदङ्कं समानीतवानस्मि । एनमायुष्मन्तं पितृरूपो भवानभिरक्षतात् ' इति । राजा सुहृदापन्नमित्तं शोकं तन्नन्दनविलोकनसुखेन किञ्चिदधरीकृत्य तमुपहारवर्मनाम्नाऽऽहूय राजवाहनमिव पुपोष ।

जनपतिरेकस्मिन्पुण्यदिवसे तीर्थस्नानाय पक्कणनिकटमार्गेण गच्छन्नबलया कयाचिदुपलालितमनुपमशरीरं कुमारं कञ्चिदवलोक्य कुतूहलाकुलस्तामपृच्छत्—' भामिनि रुचिरमूर्तिः सुराजगुणसंपूर्तिसावर्भको भवदन्वयसंभवो न भवति । कस्य नयनानन्दनः, निमित्तेन केन भवदधीनो जातः, कथ्यतां याथातथ्येन त्वया ' इति । प्रणतया तथा शबर्या सलीलमलापि—' राजन् आत्मपल्लीसमीपे पदव्यां वर्तमानस्य शक्रसमानस्य मिथिलेश्वरस्य सर्वस्वमपहरति शबरसैन्ये मदयितेनापहत्य कुमार एष मह्यमर्पितो व्यवर्धत । ' तदवधार्य कार्यज्ञो राजा मुनिकथितं द्वितीयं राजकुमारमेव निश्चित्य सामदानाभ्यां तामनुनीयापहारवर्मेत्याख्याय देव्यै ' वर्धय ' इति समर्पितवान् ।

कदाचिद्द्वामदेवाशिष्यः सोमदेवशर्मा नाम कञ्चिदेकं बालकं राज्ञः पुरो निक्षिप्वाभाषत—' देव रामतीर्थे स्नात्वा प्रत्यागच्छता

शिशिरं शीतं च तदुदकं च तदादिर्यस्मिन्स्तेन । निःशङ्कमिति क्रियाविशेषणम् । भवदङ्कं भवन्निकटम् । अभिरक्षतात् ' तुल्योस्तातङ्ङाशिष्यन्यतरस्याम् ' इति तातङ् । सुहृदः आपन्नमित्तं यस्य तम् । तस्य सुहृदो नन्दनस्तन्नन्दनः । अधरीकृत्य लघुकृत्य । पुपोष वृद्धिं निनाय । जनपतिरिति । पुण्यदिवसे पर्वणि । पक्कणः शबरालयः । उपलालितं प्रेमविश्रुतम् । अनुपमं शरीरं यस्य तम् । कुतूहलेन कौतुकेनाकुलो व्याप्तः । भामिनि कोपने । ' कोपना सैव भामिनी ' इत्यमरः । अत्र तु केवलस्त्रीवाचकोऽयं शब्दः कोपकारणाभावात् । रुचिरा सुन्दरा । राज्ञो गुणास्तेषां संपूर्तिस्तत्सहितः । अन्वयो वंशः । नयने आनन्दयति तथा । कस्य सूनुरित्यर्थः । निमित्तेन कारणेन । भवदधीनस्त्वदायतः । याथातथ्येन तत्त्वतः । प्रकर्षेण न ता तथा । पल्ली घोषः । पदव्यां मार्गे । शक्र इन्द्रः । मिथिलेश्वरस्य मिथिलाधिपस्य प्रहारवर्मणः । दयितेन वल्लभेन । भर्त्रेत्यर्थः । व्यवर्धत वृद्धिं प्राप्तः । अवधार्य विमृश्येत्यर्थः । कार्यं जानातीति तथा । साम च दानं च ताभ्याम् । अनुनीय संतोष्य । आख्याय नाम कथा । कदाचिदिति । रामतीर्थ एतन्नात्र क्षेत्रे । प्रत्यागच्छता प्रतिनिवर्तमानेन ।

मया काननावनौ वनितया कयाऽपि धार्यमाणभेनमुज्ज्वलाकारं कुमारं विलोक्य सादरमभाणि—‘ स्थविरे का त्वम् । एतस्मिन्नटवीमध्ये बालकमुद्रहन्ती किमर्थमायासेन भ्रमसि ’ इति । वृद्धयाऽप्यभाषि— ‘ मुनिवर, कालयवननाम्नि द्वीपे कालगुप्तो नाम धनाढ्यो वैश्यवरः कश्चिदस्ति । तन्नन्दिनीं नयनानन्दकारिणीं सुवृत्तां नामैतस्माद् द्वीपादागतो मगधनाथमन्त्रिसंभवो रत्नोद्भवो नाम रमणीयगुणालयो भ्रान्तभूतलो मनोहारी व्यवहार्युपयम्य सुवस्तुसंपदा श्वशुरेण संमानितोऽभूत् । कालक्रमेण नताङ्गी गर्भिणी जाता । ततः सोदरविलोकनकुतूहलेन रत्नोद्भवः कथंचिच्छशुः (मनुनीय चपललोचनयाऽनया सह प्रवहणमारुह्य पुष्पपुरमभिप्रतस्थे । कल्लोलमालिकाभिहतः पोतः समुद्राम्भस्यमज्जत् । गर्भभरालसां तां ललनां धात्रीभावेन कल्पिताऽहं कराम्यामुद्रहन्ती फलकमेकमधिरुह्य दैवगत्या तीरभूमिमगमम् । सुहृज्जनपरिवृतो रत्नोद्भवस्तत्र निमग्नो वा केनाप्युपायेन तीरमगमद्वा न जानामि । क्लेशस्य परा काष्ठामधिगता सुवृत्ताऽस्मिन्नटवीमध्येऽद्य सुतमसूत । प्रसववेदनया विचेतना सा प्रच्छाद्यशीतले तरुतले निवसति । विजने वने

काननावनौ अरण्यभुवि । उज्ज्वलो दीप्तिमान् आकारो यस्य तम् । स्थविरे वृद्धे इति संबुद्धिः । अटवी अरण्यम् । आयासेन कष्टेन । मुनिवर ऋषिश्रेष्ठ । धनाढ्यो धनसमृद्धः । वैश्यवरो वणिक्श्रेष्ठः । नन्दिनीं कन्याम् । नयनयोरानन्दं करोति तथा । मन्त्रिसंभवो मन्त्रिणः पुत्रः । रमणीयगुणानामालयो वसतिस्थानम् । भ्रान्तं भुवो बल्यं चक्रं येनेति तथा । मनोहारी अभिराम इत्यर्थः । व्यवहारी वाणिज्यकर्ता । उपयम्य विवाह्य । सुवस्तुसंपदा सुवस्तूनां शोभनवस्तूनांसंपदा समृद्ध्या । संमानितः पूजितः । सत्कृत इति यावद् । नतान्यवनम्राण्यङ्गानि यस्यास्तथा । सोदरः समानोदर्यः । चपले लोचने यस्यास्तथा । प्रवहणं नावम् । अभिप्रतस्थे इत्यत्र ‘ समवप्रविभ्यः स्थः ’ इत्यात्मनेपदम् । कल्लोलाः महातरङ्गाः तेषां मालिकाः परंपरास्ताभिरभिहतस्ताडितः । पोतो नौः । ललना स्त्री । धात्रीभावोपमातृत्वेन । परां काष्ठामतिशयम् । प्रसवकाले या वेदना तथा । विचेतना निःसंज्ञा । नष्टचेष्टेत्यर्थः । प्रच्छाद्येन शीतले । ‘ गोस्त्रियोरुपसर्जनस्य ’

स्थातुमशक्यतया जनपदगामिनं मार्गमन्वेष्टुमुद्युक्तया मया विवशा-
यास्तस्याः समीपे बालकं निक्षिप्य गन्तुमनुचितमिति कुमारोऽप्यानायि'
इति । तस्मिन्नेव क्षणे वन्यो वारणः कश्चिददृश्यत । तं विलोक्य भीता
सा बालकं निपात्य प्राद्रवत् । अहं समीपलतागुल्मके प्रविश्य परीक्ष-
माणोऽतिष्ठम् । निपतितं बालकं पल्लवकवल्लमिवाददति गजपतौ कण्ठी-
रवो भीमरवो महाग्रहेण न्यपतत् । भयाकुलेन दन्तावलेन झटिति
विशति समुत्पात्यमानो बालको न्यपतत् । चिरायुष्मत्तया स चोन्नत-
तरुशाखामप्रासीनेन वानरेण केनचित्पक्वफलबुद्ध्या परिगृह्य फलेतर-
तया विततस्कन्धमूले निक्षिप्तोऽभूत् । सोऽपि मर्कटः कचिदगान् । बाल-
केन सत्त्वसंपन्नतया सकलक्लेशसहेनाभावि । केसरिणा करिणं निहत्य
कुत्रचिदगामि । लतागृहान्निर्गतोऽहमपि तेजःपुञ्ज बालकं शनैरव-
निरुहादवतार्य वनान्तरे वनितामन्विष्याविलोक्यैनमानाय गुरवे निवेद्य
तन्निदेशेन भवन्निकटमानीतवानस्मि' इति । सर्वेषां मुहुदामेक-
दैवानुकूलदैवाभावेन महदाश्चर्यं बिभ्राणो राजा रत्नोद्भवः कथ-
मभवदिति चिन्तयंस्तन्नन्दनं पुष्पोद्भवनामधेयं विधाय तदुदन्तं
इति ह्रस्वः । विजने निजने । जनपदं देशं गच्छतीति तथामृतम् । विवशा वि-
ह्वला । विकलेत्यर्थः । वने भयो वन्यः । वारणो गजः । निपात्य अधः पातयित्वा ।
प्राद्रवदधावत् । द्रुतगत्याऽपासरदित्यर्थः । गुल्मके स्तम्भे । स्वार्थेऽलपार्थे वा
कः । परीक्षमाणः परितः ईक्षमाणः । कवलं ग्रासम् । कण्ठीरवः सिंहः । भीमो
भयंशरो रवो यस्य तथा । महाग्रहेण महताऽऽवेशेन । चिरायुष्मत्तया दीर्घायुषो
भावस्तथा । उन्नतस्योच्छ्रितस्य । 'आसन्नोन्नत-' इति पाठे आसन्नः समीप-
वर्ती । पक्वफलबुद्ध्या पक्वं फलं किमप्येतदिति श्रान्त्या । फलादितरदिति
दृष्ट्वा । वितने विस्तृते स्कन्धस्य प्रकाण्डस्य मूले । सत्त्वेन संपन्नस्तस्य भाव-
स्तथा । सकलक्लेशसहेनाखिलक्लेशसहिष्णुना । कुत्रचिदानींदिष्टे स्थले । लतागृ-
हात्कुजात् । अवन्यां रोहणीत्यवनिरुहो वृक्षस्तस्मात् । अन्यद्वनं वनान्तरं
तस्मिन् । एनम् । अन्वादेश इदं रूपम् । निदेशेनाज्ञाया । अनुकूलेति ।
दैवस्य प्रातिकूल्यनेत्यर्थः । महत् आश्चर्यम् इति भिन्नं पदे । रत्नोद्भव
इति । रत्नोद्भवस्य का गतिः । किमभवदित्यर्थः । नामधेयं नाम । 'भाग-
रूपनामभ्यो धेयः' इति धेयप्रत्ययः । विधाय कृत्वा । उदन्तं वार्ताम् ।

व्याख्याय सुश्रुताय विषादसंतोषावनुभवस्तदनुजतनयं समर्पितवान् ।

अन्येद्युः कंचन बालकमुरसि दधती वसुमती बल्लभमभिगता । तेन 'कुत्रत्योऽयम्' इति पृष्टा समभाषत—'राजन् अतीतायां रात्रौ काचन दिव्यवनिता मत्पुरतः कुमारमेकं संस्थाप्य निद्रामुद्रितां मां विबोध्य विनीताऽब्रवीत्—'देवि त्वन्मन्त्रिणो धर्मपालनन्दनस्य कामपालस्य बल्लभा यक्षकन्याऽहं तारावली नाम नन्दिनी मणिभद्रस्य । यक्षेश्वरानुमत्या मदात्मजमेतं भवत्तनूजस्याम्भोनिधिवलयवेष्टितक्षोणीमण्डलेश्वरस्य भाविनो विशुद्धयशोनिधे राजवाहनस्य परिचर्याकरणायुनीतवत्यस्मि । त्वमेनं मनोजसंनिभमभिवर्धय' इति । विस्मयविकसितनयनया मया सविनयं सत्कृता स्वक्षी यक्षी साऽप्यदृश्यतामयासीत्' इति । कामपालस्य यक्षकन्यासंगमे विस्मयमानमानसो राजहंसो रञ्जितमित्रं सुमित्रं मन्त्रिणमाहूय तदीयभ्रातृपुत्रमर्थपालं विधाय तस्मै सर्वं वार्त्तादिकं व्याख्यायादात् ।

ततः परस्मिन्दिवसे वामदेवान्तेवासी तदाश्रमवासी समाराधितदेव-

व्याख्याय कथयित्वा । रत्नोद्भवस्य नाशाद्विषादः तन्नन्दनस्य च लाभात्संतोषः । अनु पश्चाज्जातोऽनुजः । अन्येद्युरिति । अन्येद्युः अपरेद्युः । 'सद्यः—पस्तपरार्येषमः—' इति निपातः । उरसि दधती वक्षसि धारयन्ती । अभ्यस्तत्वामनुभावः । कुत्र भवः कुत्रत्यः । 'अव्ययात्त्यप्' इति त्यप् । अतीतायां गतायाम् । दिवि भवा दिव्या सा चासौ वनिता । निद्रया मुद्रितां निमीलितनेत्राम् । विनीता नम्रा । यक्षेश्वरः कुबेरः । अम्भोनिधिः समुद्रः । स एव वलयः कटकस्तेन वेष्टितं क्षोणीमण्डलं धरामण्डलं तस्येश्वर ईशिता तस्य । भाविनो नाद्यापि भूतस्य । विशेषेण शुद्धो यशसो निर्धिर्यस्य तस्य । परिचर्यां शुश्रूषा । मनोजः कामः । संनिभः सदृशः । विस्मयेनाश्चर्येण विकसिते नयने नेत्रे यस्यास्तया । सविनयमिति क्रियाविशेषणम् । 'सविनया' इति पाठे यक्षीविशेषणम् । सत्कृता संमानिता । स्वक्षी शोभननयना । यक्षकन्यया संगमरतस्मिन् । विस्मयमानं मानसं यस्य सः । रञ्जितानि मित्राणि येन तन् । आहूय आकार्यं । आनाय्येत्यर्थः । तत इति । अन्तेवासी शिष्यः । 'छात्रान्तेवासिनौ शिष्ये' इत्यमरः । अन्ते वसतीति तथा । 'शयवास—' इत्यलुक् । समारा-

कीर्ति निर्भर्त्सितमारमूर्तिं कुसुमसुकुमारं कुमारमेकमवगमय्य नरपतिम-
वादीत्—‘देव तीर्थयात्राप्रसङ्गेन कावेरीतीरमागतोऽहं विलोलाङ्कं बालकं
निजोत्सङ्गतले निधाय रुदतीं स्थविरामेकां विलोक्यावोचम्—‘स्थविरे
का त्वम्, अयमर्भकः कस्य नयनानन्दकरः, कान्तारं किमर्थमागता,
शोककारणं किम्’ इति । सा करयुगेन बाष्पजलमुन्मृज्य निजशोक-
शङ्कत्पाटनक्षममिव मामवञ्चोक्य शोकहेतुमवोचत्—‘द्विजात्मज राज-
हंसमेन्त्रिणः सितवर्मणः कनीयानात्मजः सत्यवर्मा तीर्थयात्राभि-
लोषेण देशमेनमागच्छत् । स कस्मिंश्चिदग्रहारे कालीं नाम कस्यचि-
द्भूसुरस्य नन्दिनीं विवाह्य तस्या अनपत्यतया गौरीं नाम तद्भगिनीं
काञ्चनकान्तिं परिणीय तस्यामेकं तनयमलभत । काली सासूयमेकदा
धात्र्या मया सह बालमेनमेकेन मिषेणानीय तटिन्यामेतस्यामक्षिपत् ।
करेणैकेन बालमुद्धृत्यापरेण प्लवमाना नदीवेगागतस्य कस्य-
चित्तरोः शाखामवलम्ब्य तत्र शिशुं निधाय नदीवेगेनोह्यमाना
केनचित्तरुलगेन कालभोगिनाऽहमदंशि । मदवलम्बीभूतो भूरुहोऽय-
मस्मिन्देशे तीरमगमत् । गरलस्योद्दीपनतया मयि मृतायामरण्ये
कञ्चन शरण्यो नास्तीति मया शोच्यते’ इति । ततो विषमविष-
ज्वालावलीढावयवा सा धरणीतले न्यपतत् । दयाविष्टहृदयोऽहं

धिता लब्धेति यावत् देवकीर्तिर्येन तम् । निर्भर्त्सिता स्वरूपेण मारस्य कंदर्पस्य
मूर्तिर्येन तम् । कुसुममिव कुसुमारं पेलवम् । अवगमय्य प्रापय्य । यात्रा
गमनम् । प्रसङ्गेन क्रमेण । कावेरी दक्षिणदेशस्था काचिन्नदी । विलोलाङ्गुल-
अलका यस्य तम् । उरसङ्कोऽङ्कः । कान्तारं महारण्यम् । करयोः युगेन द्वन्द्वेन ।
बाष्पजलमश्रूणि । निजशोक एव शङ्कः शल्यं तस्योत्पादनं तत्र क्षमं समर्थम् । कनी-
यान् । ‘युवाल्पयोः कनन्यतरस्याम्’ इति कनादेशः । अग्रहारे नृपात्प्रतिग्रहेण
लब्धभूमिप्रदेशे प्रामादौ वा । भूसुरस्य द्विजस्य । धात्र्युपमाता । मिषेण व्याजेन ।
तटिन्यां नद्याम् । प्लवमाना तरन्ती । भोगी सर्पः । अदंशि । कर्मणि लुङ् । भूरुहो
वृक्षः । गरलस्य विषस्य । उद्दीपनतया प्रबलतरतया । शरण्यो राक्षता । विषमं दुर्ध-
रम् । अविषह्यमित्यर्थः । विषमाविषस्य ज्वालाभिरवलीढा व्याप्ता अवयवा यस्याः सा ।

मन्त्रबलेन विषयवस्थामपनेतुमक्षमः समीपकुञ्जेष्वधिविशेषमन्त्रिष्य
प्रत्यागतो व्युत्क्रान्तजीवितां तां व्यलोकयम् । तदनु तस्याः पावक-
संस्कारं विरच्य शोकाकुलचेता बालमेनमगतिमादाय सत्यवर्मवृत्तान्त-
श्रवणवेलाया तन्निवासाग्रहारनामधेयस्याश्रुततया तदन्वेषणमशक्य
मित्यालोच्य भवदमात्यतनयस्य भवानेवाभिरक्षितेति भवन्तमेनमनयम्
इति । तन्निशम्य सत्यवर्मस्थितेः सम्यगनिश्चिततया खिन्नमानसो
नरपतिः सुमतये मन्त्रिणे सोमदत्तं नाम तदनुजतनयमर्पितवान् ।
सोऽपि सोदरमागतमिव मन्यमानो विशेषेण पुपोष ।

एवं मिलितेन कुमारमण्डलेन बालकेलीरनुभवत्राधिखटानेकवाहनो
राजवाहनोऽनुक्रमेण चौलोपनयनादिसंस्कारजामतलभत । ततः सकल-
लिपिज्ञानं निखिलदेशीयभाषापाण्डित्यं षडङ्गसहितवेदसमुदायको-
विदत्वं काव्यनाटकाख्यानाकाख्या यिकेतिहासचित्रकथासहितपुराण-
गणनैपुण्यं धर्मशब्दज्योतिस्तर्कमीमांसादिसमस्तशास्त्रानिकरचातुर्यं कौ-
टिल्यकामन्दकीयादिनीतिपटलकौशलं वीणाद्यशेषवाद्यदाक्ष्यं संगीत-

दयया आविष्टं हृदयं यस्य । मन्त्रबलेन मन्त्रसामर्थ्येन । अपनेतुं दूरीकर्तुम् । कुञ्जेषु
निकुञ्जेषु । व्युत्क्रान्तर्ज वितां मृताम् । तदनु ततः । पावकसंस्कारं विरच्याभिसंस्कारं
कृत्वा । चिताधिरोपणेन तस्याः शरीरमग्निभाक्त्वैत्यर्थः । अगतिमशरण्याम् । अना-
थमित्यर्थः । एवमिति । कुमारमण्डलेन कुमारसमुदायेन । केलीः क्रीडाः । अधि-
खटान्यनेकवाहनानि येन सः । चौलं चोपनयनं च चौलोपनयने । एते आदी यस्य
तत्संस्कारजातम् । तत्र चौलं चूडाकर्म । 'तृतीये वर्षे चौलं यथाकुलधर्मं वा'
इति सूत्रम् । जन्मप्रभृति तृतीये वर्षे कुलधर्ममाहृत्यान्यस्मिन्वा केशसंनिवेशानां
करणम् । उपनयनं प्रसिद्धम् । लिपिरक्षरसंस्थानं तस्य ज्ञानम् । षडङ्गसहितस्य
वेदसमुदायस्य कोविदत्वं ज्ञातृत्वम् । 'शिक्षा कल्पो व्याकरणं निरुक्तं ज्योतिषां गणः ।
छन्दसां विचितिशैव षडङ्गो वेद उच्यते ॥' इति । आख्यानकानि चूर्णकानि । आख्या-
यिकाः बृहत्कथायाः । इतिहासः पुरावृत्तकथनम् । चित्रकथा रम्यकथा । एतैः
सर्वैः सहिते पुराणगणे ब्राह्मण्यादिपुराणसमुदाये नैपुण्यम् । धर्मशास्त्रं स्मृतयः ।
शब्दशास्त्रं व्याकरणम् । ज्योतिःशास्त्रं प्रसिद्धम् । तर्कशास्त्रं न्यायः । मीमांसा
पूर्वोत्तरभेदेन प्रसिद्धं शास्त्रम् । निकरः सङ्ग्रहः । कौटिल्यश्चाणक्यस्तत्प्रणीतम् ।

साहित्यहारित्वं मणिमन्त्रौषधादिमायाप्रपञ्चचञ्चुत्वं मातङ्गतुरङ्गादिवाह-
नारोहणपाटवं विविधायुधप्रयोगचर्चणत्वं चौर्यदुरोदरादिकपटकलाप्रौढत्वं
च तत्तदाचार्येभ्यः सम्यगलब्ध्वा यौवनेन विलसन्तं कृत्येष्वनलसं
तं कुमारनिकरं निरीक्ष्य महीवल्लभः सः ' अहं शत्रुजनदुर्लभः '
इति परमानन्दममन्दमविन्दत ।

इति श्रीदण्डिनः कृतौ दशकुमारचरिते कुमारोत्पत्तिर्नाम प्रथम उच्छ्वासः ।

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द्वितीयोच्छ्वासः ।

अथैकदा वामदेवः सकलकलाकुशलेन कुसुमसायकसंशयितसौ-
न्दर्येण कल्पितसोदर्येण साहसोपहसितकुमारेण सुकुमारेण जय-
ध्वनातपवारणकुलिशाङ्कितकरेण कुमारनिकरेण परिवेष्टितं राजा-
नमानतशिरसं समभिगम्य तेन तां कृतां परिचर्यामङ्गीकृत्य
निजचरणकमलयुगलमिलेन्मधुकरायमाणकाकपक्षं विदलिष्यमाण-

कामन्दकीयमिति प्रसिद्धम् । दाक्ष्यं दक्षता । साहित्यं शिल्पं नृत्यादिकलाः । हारि-
त्वं मनोहारित्वम् । मायाप्रपञ्चः कपटप्रबन्धः । चञ्चुत्वं कुशलत्वम् । ' तेन वित्तश्च-
ञ्चुप्चणपौ ' इति चञ्चुप् । चणत्वं कौशलम् । ' तेन वित्त-' इति चणप् । दुरोदरं
द्यूतम् । तत्तदाचार्येभ्यस्तेषु तेषु शास्त्रेषु निष्णातेभ्य आचार्येभ्य इत्यर्थः । विलसन्तं
शोभमानम् । अनलसमुद्यमशीलम् । महीवल्लभो राजा राजहंसः ।

इति श्रीदशकुमारचरितपूर्वपीठिकाटीकायां
पद्वीपिकाभिधायी प्रथम उच्छ्वासः ।

अथेति । सकलकलासु कुशलेन । कुसुमसायकः कामः । संशयितं संशयं
प्रापितम् । कल्पितं सोदर्यं बन्धुता येन तथा । साहसेनोपहसितो धिक्कृतः कुमारो गुहो
येन सः । जयध्वजः पताका । आतपवारणं छत्रम् । कुलिशं वज्रम् । एतैः रेखामा-
त्रैरङ्कितौ करौ यस्य तेन । परिवेष्टितं परिवृतम् । निजौ वामदेवस्येत्यर्थः । चरणौ
तावेव कमले तयोर्युगलं तस्मिन्मिलन्तः संयुक्ता ये मधुकरा इवाचरन्तः काकप्रक्षाः
शिखण्डकाः यस्य तम् । विदलिष्यमाणा उद्धरिष्यमाणा विपक्षाः शत्रवो

विपक्षं कुमारचयं गाढमालिङ्गच मितैसत्यवाक्येन विहिताशीर-
भ्यभाषत—‘ भवह्लभ भवदीयमनोरथफलमिव समृद्धलावण्यं ता-
रुण्यं नुतमित्रो भवत्पुत्रोऽनुभवति । सहचरसमेतस्य नूनमेतस्य दि-
ग्विजयारम्भसमय एषः । तदस्य सकलक्लेशसहस्य राजवाहन-
स्य दिग्विजयप्रयाणं क्रियताम् ’ इति । कुमारो माराभिरामो रामो-
द्यपौरुषो रुषो भस्मीकृतारयो रयोपहसितसमीरणो रणाभियानेन
यानेनाभ्युदयाशंसं राजानमकार्षुः । तत्साचिव्यमितरेषां विधाय सन्नु-
चितां बुद्धिमुपदिश्य शुभे मुहूर्ते सपरीवारं कुमारं विजयाय विससर्ज ।

राजवाहनो मङ्गलसूचकं शुभशकुनं विलोकयन्देशं कंचिद-
तिक्रम्य विन्ध्याटवीमध्यमविशत् । तत्र हेतिहतिकिणाङ्कं का-
लायसर्कशकायं यज्ञोपवीतेनानुमेयविप्रभावं व्यक्तकिरातप्रभावं
लोचनपरुषं कमपि पुरुषं ददर्श । तेन विहितपूजनो राजवाहनो-

येन तम् । चयं समुदायम् । गाढं निर्भरम् । मितं च सत्यं च यद्वाक्यं तेन ।
‘ सत्यं मृदु प्रियम् ’ इति सत्यशब्दप्रयोगः । विहिता आशीराशीर्वादो येन सः ।
भवदीयानां मनोरथानामिच्छानां फलम् । समृद्धं परिपूर्णं लावण्यं यस्मिन् । नुतानि
स्तुतानि स्तुत्यानि वा मित्राणि येन यस्य वा सः । दिशां विजयस्तस्यारम्भस्तस्य
समयः कालः । सकलक्लेशसहस्य । सत्त्वशीलसंपन्नत्वात् । दिग्विजयेति ।
दिग्विजयं कर्तुमयं प्रहीयतामित्यर्थः । मारः कंदर्प इवाभिरामाः सुन्दराः । रामो
दाशरथिः स आद्यो येषां ते रामाद्यास्तेषां पौरुषं पराक्रम इव पौरुषं येषां ते ।
रयेण वेगेन । आवेशेनेति यावत् । उपहसितो न्यक्कृतः समीरणो वायुर्यैः । रणम-
भियातीत्येतादृशेन । यानेन गमनेन । अभ्युदयस्य बृद्धेराशंसा विद्यते यस्य तम् ।
इतरेषां कुमारानाम् । विजयाय । विजयं कर्तुमित्यर्थः । ‘ तुमर्थाच्च भाववचनात् ’
इति चतुर्थी । राजवाहन इति । मङ्गलं शुभोदकं सूचयति तथा । शुभं शकुनं
निमित्तम् । हेतिभिः शस्त्रैर्या हतिः प्रहारस्तस्य किणा व्रणजचिह्नानि तेषामङ्का
यस्मिन् । कालायसं लोहं तदिव कर्कशः कठिनः कायो यस्य । यज्ञस्य यज्ञार्थं वा
उपवीतं यज्ञोपवीतम् । अनुमातुं योग्यो विप्रभावो विप्रत्वं यस्येति तथा । व्यक्तः स्पष्ट-
किरातस्य वनचरस्येव प्रभावो यस्य । लोचनयोः परुषं कर्कशम् । दुर्दर्शनमिति यावत् ।

ऽभाषत—‘ ननु मानव जनसङ्गरहिते मृगहिते घोरप्रचारे कान्तारे विन्ध्याटवीमध्ये भवानेकाकी किमिति निवसति । भवदं-
सोपनीतं यज्ञोपवीतं भूसुरभावं द्योतयति । हेतिहैतिभिः किरात-
रीतिरनुमीयते । कथय किमेतत् ’ इति । ‘ तेजोमयोऽयं मानुष-
मात्रपौरुषो नूनं न भवति ’ इति मत्वा स पुरुषस्तद्वयस्यमुखात्राम-
जनने विज्ञाय तस्मै निजवृत्तान्तमकथयत्—‘ राजनन्दन केचि-
दभ्यामटव्यां वेदादिविद्याभ्यासमपहाय निजकुलाचारं दूरीकृत्य
सत्यशौचादिधर्मव्रातं परीहृत्य किल्बिषमन्विष्यन्तः पुलिन्दपुरोगमा-
स्तदन्नमुपभुञ्जाना बहवो ब्राह्मणब्रुवा निवसन्ति । तेषु कस्य-
चित्पुत्रो निन्दापात्रचारित्रो मातङ्गो नामाहं सह किरातवलेन ज-
नपदं प्रविश्य ग्रामेषु धनिनः स्त्रीबालसहितानानीयाटव्यां बन्धने
निधाय तेषां सकलधनमपहरन्नुद्धृत्य वीतद्यो व्यचरम् । कदा-
चिदेकस्मिन्कान्तारे मदीयसहचरगणेन जिघांस्यमानं भूसुरमेक-
मवलोक्य दयायत्तचित्तोऽब्रवीत्—‘ ननु पापाः न हन्तव्यो ब्राह्म-
णः ’ इति । ते रोषारुणनयना मां बहुधा निरभर्त्सयन् । तेषां

विहितं कृतं पूजनं सत्कारो यस्य सः । जनसङ्गेन रहिते विवर्जिते । मृगेभ्यो हितमनु-
कूलं तस्मिन् । घोरः प्रचारः संचारो यस्मिन्निति तथा । एकाक्यसहायः ।
‘ एकादाकिनिचासहाये ’ इत्याकिनिचप्रत्ययः । अंसो भुजशिरः । उपनीतं गतं
प्राप्तम् । भूसुरभावं विप्रत्वम् । हेतिहैतिभिः शस्त्रप्रहारचिह्नैः । किरातरीति-
र्वनचरवृत्तिः । अनुमीयते उह्यते तर्क्यते । तेजोमयस्तेजःप्रचुरः । ‘ तत्प्रकृतव-
चने मयद् ’ इति मयद् । मानुषमात्रं मानुषप्रमाणं पौरुषं पराक्रमो यस्येति तथा ।
‘ प्रमाणे द्वयसङ्घट्टन-’ इति प्रमाणार्थे मात्रच् । वेदादि । आदिशब्देन स्मृतिपु-
राणादीनि गृह्यन्ते । निजकुलाचारं विप्रविहितधर्मान् । सत्यमवितथभाषित्वम् ।
शौचं शुचित्वम् । आदिशब्देन दयादमक्षान्तिशान्त्यादि गृह्यते । धर्मव्रातं
कुलधर्मसमुदायम् । किल्बिषं पापम् । पुलिन्दा म्लेच्छजातिश्चेका जातिः । ते
पुरोगमा नेतारो येषां ते । उपभुञ्जाना भक्षयन्तः । ब्राह्मणब्रुवा ब्राह्मणाधमाः ।
कुत्सनार्थेऽत्र ब्रुवपदम् । निन्दापात्रं गर्ह्यं चारित्रं यस्यैतादृशः । वीता
दया यस्य सः । जिघांस्यमानं हन्तुमिष्यमाणम् । निरभर्त्सयन्तर्जितवन्तः ।

भाषणपारुष्यमसहिष्णुरहमवनिसुररक्षणाय चिरं प्रयुध्य तैरभिहतो गतजीवितोऽभवत् । ततः प्रेतपुरीमुपेत्य तत्र देहधारिभिः पुरुषैः परिवेष्टितं सभामध्ये रत्नखचितसिंहासनासीनं शमनं विलोक्य तस्मै दण्डप्रणाममकरवत् । सोऽपि मामवेक्ष्य चित्रगुप्तं नाम निजामात्यमाहूय तमवोचत्—‘सचिव नैषोऽमुष्य मृत्युसमयः । निन्दितचरितोऽप्ययं महीसुरनिमित्तं गतजीवितोऽभूत् । इतः प्रभृति विगलितकल्मषस्यास्य पुण्यकर्मकरणे रुचिरुदेष्यति । पापिष्ठैरनुभूयमानमत्र यातनाविशेषं विलोक्य पुनरपि पूर्वशरीरमनेन गम्भ्यताम्’ इति । चित्रगुप्तोऽपि तत्र तत्र संतप्तेष्वायसस्तम्भेषु बध्यमानान्, अत्युष्णीकृते विततशरावे तैले निक्षिप्यमाणान्, लगुडैर्जर्जरीकृतावयवान्, निशितटङ्कैः परितक्ष्यमाणानपि दशयित्वा पुण्यबुद्धिमुपदिश्य माममुञ्चत् । तदेव पूर्वशरीरमहं प्राप्तो महाटवीमध्ये शीतलोपचारं रचयता महीसुरेण परीक्ष्यमाणः शिलायां शयितः क्षणमतिष्ठम् । तदनु विदितोदन्तो मदीयवंशैबन्धुगणः सहसाऽऽगत्य मन्दिरमानीय मामपक्रान्तव्रणमकरोत् । द्विजन्मा कृतज्ञो मह्यमक्षरशिक्षां विधाय विविधागमतन्त्रमीरुयाय कल्मषक्षयकारणं सदाचारमुपदिश्य ज्ञानेक्षणगम्यमानस्य शशिखण्डशेखरस्य

भाषणपारुष्यं कठोरवचांसि । असहिष्णुः सोढुमसमर्थः । ‘अलंकृष्णनिराकृन्—’ इतीष्णुच् । प्रेतपुरीं यमनगरीम् । रत्नैः खचितं प्रत्युप्तं यत्सिंहासनं तत्रासीनम् । शमनं यमम् । दण्डप्रणामं दण्डवद्भूमौ शयित्वा प्रणाममित्यर्थः । विगलितं नष्टं कल्मषं पापं यस्य तस्य । रुचिः प्रीतिः । उदेष्यत्युत्पत्स्यते । अतिशयेन पापाः पापिष्ठाः । ‘अतिशायने तमाबिष्ठनौ’ इतीष्ठन् । अयस इमे आयसाश्च ते स्तम्भास्तेषु । विततो विस्तीर्णो यः शरावः पात्रविशेषः । ‘कडई’ इति भाषायाम् । जर्जरीकृताः । अर्थात्प्रहृतैः । निशितास्तीक्ष्णास्तेजिताष्टङ्काः पाषाणदारणास्तैः परितक्ष्यमाणान्परितस्तक्षणेन तनूक्रियमाणान् । रचयता कुर्वता । विदित उदन्तो वार्ता येन तथा । अपक्रान्ताश्चिकित्सिता व्रणाः प्रहारस्थानानि यस्य तादृशः । अक्षराणां शिक्षोपदेशः । विविधागमानां शास्त्राणां तन्त्रं सिद्धान्तम् । कल्मषस्य पापस्य यः क्षयस्तस्य कारणं निमित्तम् । सदाचारं सद्भि रूपदर्शितं मार्गम् । ज्ञानेक्षणेन न तु चर्मचक्षुषा गम्यमान आसाद्यः प्राप्यस्तस्य । शशिनः खण्डः कला सा शेखरो-

पूजाविधानमभिधाय पूजां मत्कृतामङ्गीकृत्य निरगात् । तदारभ्याहं
किरातकृतसंसर्गं बन्धुकुलवर्गमुत्सृज्य सकललोकैकगुरुमिन्दुकलावतंसं
चेतासि स्मरन्नस्मिन्कानने दूरीकृतकलङ्को वसामि । देव भवते विज्ञा-
पनीयं रहस्यं किञ्चिदस्ति । आगम्यताम् ' इति । स वयस्यगणादप-
नीय रहसि पुनरेर्नमभाषत—' राजन्, अतीते निशान्ते गौरीपतिः
स्वप्नसंनिहितो निद्रामुद्रितलोचनं विबोध्य प्रसन्नवदनकान्तिः प्रश्रया-
न्तं मामवोचत्—'मातङ्ग, दण्डकारण्यान्तरालगामिन्यास्तटिन्यास्तीर-
भूमौ सिद्धसाध्याराध्यमानस्य स्फटिकलिङ्गस्य पश्चादद्रिपतिकन्यापद-
पङ्क्तिचिह्नितस्याश्मनः सविधे विधेराननमिव किमपि बिलं विद्यते ।
तत्प्रविश्य तत्र निक्षिप्तं ताम्रशासनं शासनं विधातुरिव समादाय
विधिं तदुपदिष्टं दिष्टविजयमिव विधाय पाताललोकाधीश्वरेण भवता
भवितव्यम् । भवत्साहाय्यकरो राजकुमारोऽद्य श्वो वा समागमि-
ष्यति ' इति । तदादेशानुगुणमेव भवदागमनमभूत् । साधनाभिला-
षिणो मम तोषिणो रचय साहाय्यम् ' इति । ' तथा ' इति राज-

ऽवतंसो यस्य तस्यं । धूर्जटेरित्यर्थः । विधानं विधिम् । अभिधाय कथयित्वा ।
तदारभ्य ततः प्रभृति । किरातैः कृतः संसर्गो येन तथा । सकललोकानामेकं मुख्यं
गुरुम् । इन्दुकला अवतंसः शिरोभूषणं यस्य तम् । दूरीकृतकलङ्को निष्पापः । रहस्यं
गुह्यम् । रहस्येकान्ते । निशाया अन्ते प्रत्युषे । संनिहितः समीपमागतः । निद्रया
मुद्रिते निमीलिते लोचने यस्य तम् । प्रश्रयेण विनयेनानतं प्रहम् । अन्तरालं मध्यम् ।
तटिन्या नद्याः । सिद्धाः साध्याश्च तैराराध्यमानस्य पूज्यमानस्य । 'पिशाचो गुह्यकः
सिद्धः,' 'महाराजिकसाध्याश्च' इत्युभयत्राप्यमरः । तत्र सिद्धा देवयोनिविशेषाः,
साध्या गणदेवताः । स्फटिकलिङ्गस्य स्फटिकनिर्मितलिङ्गस्य विशिष्टाकृतेः शंकर-
शरीरस्य । अद्रिपतिर्हिमालयस्तत्कन्या पार्वती तस्याः पदपङ्क्त्या चिह्नितस्य अश्मनो
प्राणः । सविधे समीपे । निक्षिप्तं स्थापितम् । ताम्रशासनं ताम्रपट्टम् । शासन-
माज्ञा । विधिं कल्पम् । तदुपदिष्टं तेन ताम्रशासनेनोपदिष्टम् । ' तदुपरिष्ठम् ' इति
पाठे तदुपरि तिष्ठतीत्यसौ तम् । दिष्टमदृष्टं तस्य विजयः । अधीश्वरः । ' राजा तु
प्रणताशेषसामन्तः स्यादधीश्वरः ' इत्यमरः । अनुगुणमनुरूपम् । साधनमु-
पायस्तमाभिलषतीति तथा । तोषिण आनन्दयुक्तस्य । रचय कुर्वित्यर्थः ।

वाहनः साकं मातङ्गेन नमितोत्तमाङ्गेन विहायार्धरात्रे निद्रापरतन्त्रं मित्र-
गणं वनान्तरमवाप । तदनु तदनुचराः कल्ये. साकल्येन राजकुमारम-
नवलोकयन्तो विषण्णहृदयास्तेषु तेषु वनेषु सम्यगन्विष्यानवेक्षमाणा
एतदन्वेषणमनीषया देशान्तरं चरिष्णवोऽतिसहिष्णवो निश्चितपुनःसंगम-
संकेतस्थानाः परस्परं वियुज्य ययुः ।

लोकैकवीरेण कुमारेण रक्ष्यमाणः संतुष्टान्तरङ्गो मातङ्गोऽपि
बिभ्रं शशिशेखरकथिताभिज्ञानपरिज्ञातं निःशङ्कं प्रविश्य गुहीत-
ताम्रशासनो रसातलं पथा तेनैवोपेत्य तत्र कस्यचित्पत्तनस्य निकटे
केलीकाननकासारस्य विततसारसस्य समीपे नानाविधेनैशशासन-
विधानोपपादितेन हविषा होमं विरच्य प्रत्यूहपरिहारिणि सविस्मयं
विलोकयति राजवाहने समिदाज्यसमुज्ज्वलिते ज्वलने पुण्यगेहं देहं
मन्त्रपूर्वकमाहुतीकृत्य तडित्समानकान्तिं दिव्यां तनुमलभत ।
तदनु मणिमयमण्डनमण्डलमण्डिता सकललोकललनाकुलललामभूता

साकमित्यव्ययं सहेत्यर्थे । नमितमुत्तमाङ्गं शीर्षं येन तेन । निद्रापरतन्त्रं
निद्राधीनम् । अनुचराः सचिवा अनुगामिनः । कल्ये प्रातःकाले । 'प्रत्यूषो-
ऽहर्मुखं कल्यमुषःप्रत्युषसी अपि' इत्यमरः । साकल्येन समप्रतः । विषण्णं खिन्नं
हृदयं येषां ते । तेषु तेष्वंखिलेषु । मनीषया बुद्ध्या । चरिष्णवो गन्तु-
मनसः । 'अलंकृञ्-' इतीष्णुच्प्रत्ययः । पुनः संगमः पुनःसंगमस्तस्य संकेत-
स्थानम् । निश्चितं निर्णीतं पुनःसंगमसंकेतस्थानं यैस्ते । वियुज्य वियुक्ता
भूत्वा । लोकैकेति । लोकेऽेकवीरः प्रधानयोधः । रक्ष्यमाणः इति कर्मणि
शानच् । संतुष्टान्तरङ्गो हृष्टमनाः । अभिज्ञानं चिह्नम् । रसातलं पातालम् ।
केलीकाननं क्रीडावनम् । कासारः सरः । वितता बहवः सारसाः पक्षि-
विशेषा यत्र । 'विगत-' इति पाठे नष्ट इत्यर्थः । नानाविधेनानैकप्रकारेण ।
उपपादितेन संपादितेन । हविषा हूयते तद्धविस्तेन । आज्यादियाज्यद्रव्येणेत्यर्थः । प्रत्यूहो
विघ्नः । विलोकयति सति । समिधश्चाज्यं च तैः समुज्ज्वलिते दीपिते । ज्वलनेऽमौ ।
पुण्यस्य गेहं वसतिस्थानम् । देहविशेषणमेतत् । आहुतीकृत्यामौ क्षिप्त्वा । तडि-
द्वियुत् । दिव्यां देवतार्हाम् । तनुं शरीरम् । मणिमयानि मणिप्रचुराणि ।
'तत्प्रकृतवचने [प्राचुर्येण प्रकृतं प्रस्तुतं तस्य वचने] मयद्' इति मयद् ।
मण्डनानि भूषणानि । मण्डितोपशोभिता । ललामभूता भूषणभूता । विनीता

कन्यका काचन विनीतानेकसखीजनानुगम्यमाना कलहंसगत्या शनै-
रागत्यावनिपुरोत्तमाय मणिमेकमुज्ज्वलाकारमुपायनीकृत्य तेन ' का
त्वंश्च ' इति पृष्टा सोत्कण्ठा कलकण्ठस्वनेन मन्दं मन्दमुदञ्जलिरभा-
षत—' भूसुरोत्तम, अहमसुरोत्तमनन्दिनी कालिन्दी नाम । मम
पिताऽस्य लोकस्य शासिता महानुभावो निजपराक्रमासहिष्णुना
विष्णुना दूरीकृतामरे समरे यमनगरातिथिरकारि । तद्वियोग-
शोकसागरमग्नं मामवेक्ष्य कोऽपि कारुणिकः सिद्धतापसोऽभा-
षत—' बाले, कश्चिद्विवेकदेहधारी मानवो नवो बलुमस्तव भूत्वा सकलं
रसातलं पालयिष्यति ' इति । तदादेशं निशम्य घनशब्दोन्मुखी
चातकी वर्षागमनमिव तवालोकनकाङ्क्षिणी चिरमतिष्ठत् । मन्मनोरथ-
फलायमानं भवदागमनमवगम्य मद्राज्यावलम्बभूतामात्यानुमत्या मदन-
कृतसारथ्येन मनसा भवन्तमागच्छत् । लोकस्यास्य राज्यलक्ष्मीमङ्गी-
कृत्य मां तत्सपत्नीं करोतु भवान् ' इति । मातङ्गोऽपि राजवाहना-
नुमत्या तां तरुणीं परिणीय दिव्याङ्गनालाभेन हृष्टतरो रसातलराज्य-
मुररीकृत्य परमानन्दमाससाद ।

वञ्चयित्वा वयस्यगणं समागतो राजवाहनस्तदवलोकनकौतूह-
लेन भुवं गमिष्णुः कालिन्दीदत्तं क्षुत्पिपासादिक्लेशनाशनं मणिं साहाय्य-
करणसंतुष्टान्मातङ्गालब्ध्वा कंचनाध्वानमनुवर्तमानं तं विसृज्य
बिलपथेन तेन निर्येयो । तत्र च मित्रगणमनवलोक्य भुवं बभ्राम ।

नम्रा । कलहंसस्य गत्या । मन्थरगत्येत्यर्थः । अवनिपुरोत्तमाय द्विज-
श्रेष्ठाय । उज्ज्वलाकारं दीप्तम् । उपायनीकृत्य । उपायनं दत्त्वेत्यर्थः । सोत्कण्ठा
उत्कण्ठया सहिता । कलकण्ठः कोकिलः । उदञ्जलिः प्रबद्धाञ्जलिः । शासिता
पालकः । महाननुभावः प्रभावो यस्यैतादृशः । असहिष्णुना सहनासमर्थेन ।
दूरीकृताः । पराजिता इति यावत् । अमरा देवा यस्मात् । यमनगरस्था-
तिथिरकारि हत इत्यर्थः । तेन वियोगस्तस्मादुद्भूतो यः शोकः स एव सागरस्त-
स्मिन्मग्नम् । कारुणिकोऽनुकम्पावान् । सिद्धतापसो हस्तधृतसिद्धिस्तपस्वी । बल्लभो
रमणः । घनशब्दो मेघशब्दः । तस्योन्मुखी उन्नतं मुखं यस्या इति
तथा । फलायमानं फलवदाचरति तथा । मम राज्यस्यावलम्बभूतानाममा-
त्यानामनुमत्या । मदनेन कृतं सारथ्यं यस्यैतादृशेन । समानः पतिर्यस्याः
सा सपत्नी । तस्या राजलक्ष्म्याः सपत्नीम् । उररीकृत्य स्वीकृत्य ।
वञ्चयित्वेति । वञ्चयित्वा प्रतार्थं । कौतूहलेन कौतुकेन । कालिन्दी रसा-
तलगतमातङ्गपत्नी । नाशयतीति नाशनस्तम् । उपश्लेष्ते प्रामाण्ये ।

भ्रमंश्च विशालोपशस्ये कमप्याक्रीडमासाद्य तत्र विशिश्रमिषुरान्दोलि-
कारूढं रमणीसहितमासजनपरिवृतमुद्याने समागतमेकं पुरुषमपश्यत् ।
सोऽपि परमानन्देन पल्लवितचेता विकसितवदनारविन्दः ‘मम स्वामी
सोमकुलावतंसो विशुद्धयशोनिधी राजवाहन एषः । महाभाभ्यतयाऽकाण्ड
एवास्य पादमूल गतवानस्मि । संप्रति महान्नयनोत्सवो जातः’ इति
ससंभ्रममान्दोलिकाया अवतीर्य सरभसपदविन्यासविलासिहर्षोत्कर्ष-
चरितस्त्रिचतुरपदान्युद्धतस्य चरणकमलगुगलं गलदुल्लसन्मल्लिकावल-
येन मौलिना पस्पर्श । प्रमोदाश्रुपूर्णो राजा पुलकिताङ्गं तं गाढ-
मालिङ्ग्य ‘अये सौम्य सोमदत्त’ इति व्याजहार । ततः कस्यापि
पुंनागभूरुहस्य प्रच्छाद्यशीतले तले संविष्टेन मनुजनाथेन सप्रणयम-
भाणि—‘सखे कालमेतावन्तं देशे कस्मिन् प्रकारेण केनास्थायि
भवता, संप्रति कुत्र गम्यते, तरुणी केयम्, एष परिजनः संपादितः
कथम्, कथम्’ इति । सोऽपि मित्रसंदर्शनव्यतिकरापगतचिन्ताज्वरा-
तिशयो मुकुलितकरकमलः सविनयमात्मीयप्रचारप्रकारमवोचत्—

इति श्रीदण्डिनः कृतौ दशकुमारचरिते द्विजोपकृतिर्नाम द्वितीय उच्छ्वासः ।

आक्रीड उद्यानम् । विशिश्रमिषुर्विश्रमितिभिच्छुः । आन्दोलिका दोला । पल्लवितं
विकसितं प्रसन्नमिति यावत् चेतोऽन्तःकरणं यस्य स तथा । वदनं
अरविन्दं कमलमिव । सोमकुलस्य चन्द्रवंशस्य । अवतंसो भूषणम् । विशु-
द्धोऽतिशुद्धो यशोनिधिर्यस्य । ‘निधिः राजवाहनः’ इति छेदः । अकाण्डे सहसा ।
ससंभ्रमं सत्वरं सादरं च । रभसेन सहेति सरभसः । सरभसो यः पदविन्यासस्तस्य
यो विलासस्तद्वान् । हर्षोत्कर्षो हर्षातिरेकश्चरिते यस्य सः । पश्चात्कर्मधारयः । त्रिचतुर-
पदानि त्रीणि वा चत्वारि वा । उद्धतस्य प्रत्युद्यातस्य । मल्लिका पुष्पविशेषः ।
गलत्स्खलदुल्लसदुद्धतं च मल्लिकावल्यं यस्य तेन । मौलिना शीर्षेण । प्रमोदाश्रुभिः
पूर्णः । पुलका अस्य संजातास्तत् पुलकितं हृषितरोमाञ्चमङ्गं यस्य तम् । गाढं दृढम् ।
पुनागः केसरः । भूरुहो वृक्षः । संविष्टेनोपविष्टेन । मित्रसंदर्शनमेव व्यतिकरस्तेना-
पगतचिन्ता एव ज्वरस्तस्यातिशयो यस्य । व्यतिकरो व्यापारः । ‘व्यतिकरः
समाख्यातो व्यसनव्यतिषङ्गयोः’ इति विश्वः । मुकुलिते करकमले यस्य । मुकुलित-
करकमलः संयोजितकरयुगलः । बद्धाञ्जलिरिति यावत् । प्रचारो यात्रा भूभ्रमणम् ।

इति श्रीदशकुमारचरितपूर्वपीठिकाटीकायां

पदपीठिकाभिधायी द्वितीय उच्छ्वासः ।

तृतीयोच्छ्वासः ।

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‘देव, भवच्चरणकमलसेवामिलाषीभूतोऽहं भ्रमनेकस्यां वनावनौ पिपासाकुलो लतापरिवृतं शीतलं नदसालिलं पिबन्नुज्ज्वलाकारं रत्नं तत्रैकमद्राक्षम् । तदादाय गत्वा कंचनाध्वानमम्बरमणेरत्युष्णतया गन्तुमक्षमो वनेऽस्मिन्नेव किमपि देवतायतनं प्रविष्टो दीनाननं बहु-
तनयसमेतं स्थविरमहीसुरमेकमवलोक्य कुशलमुदितदयोऽहमपृच्छम् ।
कार्पण्यविवर्णवदनो महदाशापूर्णमानसोऽवोचदग्रजन्मा—‘महाभाग,
सुतानेतान्मार्तृहीनाननेकैरुपायै रक्षन्निदानीमस्मिन्कुदेशे भैक्ष्यं संपाद्य
ददेदेतेभ्यो वसामि शिवालयेऽस्मिन् ’ इति । ‘भूदेव, एतत्कटकधि-
पती राजा कस्य देशस्य, किनामधेयः, किमत्रागमनकारणमस्य ’ इति
पृष्टोऽभाषत महीसुरः—‘सौम्य, मत्तकालो नाम लाटेश्वरो देशस्या-
स्य पालयितुर्वारिकेतोस्तनयां वामलोचनां नाम तरुणीरत्नमसमान-
लावण्यं श्रावंश्रावमवधूतदुहितृप्रार्थनस्य तस्य नगरीमरौत्सीत् । वीरकेतु-
रपि भीतो महदुपायनमिव तनयां मत्तकालायादात् । तरुणीलाम-
हृष्टचंता लाटपतिः ‘परिणया निजपुर एव ’ इति निश्चित्य गच्छन्निज-
देशं प्रति संप्रति मृगयादरेणात्र वने सैन्यवासमकारयत् । कन्यासारणे

देवेति । वनावनौ काननभूमौ । पातुमिच्छा पिपासा तयाऽऽकुलः । अम्बरमणिः
सूर्यः । देवतायतनं मन्दिरम् । दीनं दैन्यव्याप्तमाननं यस्य । उदिता उत्पन्ना
दया यस्य सः । कार्पण्यं कृपणस्य भावः । दैन्यमित्यर्थः । विवर्णं विगतवर्णं
पाण्डु । महदाशेति प्रयोगश्चिन्त्यः । महति कार्ये आशा इति वा व्याख्येयम् ।
अग्रजन्मा ब्राह्मणः । भैक्ष्यं भिक्षावृत्त्या संपादितमन्नादि । कटकस्य निवेशित-
सैन्यस्य । किं नामधेयं यस्येति बहुव्रीहिः । लाट इति देशनाम । तरुणीषु
रत्नम् । ‘जातौ जातौ यदुत्कृष्टं तद्वत्तमभिधीयते ’ इति । असमानमनुपमं
लावण्यं सौन्दर्यं यस्य तत् । श्रावं आवमिति णमुलन्तमेतत् । असकृच्छ्रुत्वे-
त्यर्थः । आभीक्ष्ण्ये णमुल् । अवधूता तिरस्कृता दुहितुः प्रार्थना तत्कृताऽऽम्बर्थना
येन । अरौत्सीदभियुयोज । मृगयादरेण मृगयानुरोधेन । कन्यायाः सारणे प्रापणे ।
कन्यासारणेति पाठे कन्यैव सारो धनं तेन । ‘सारो बले स्थिराणि च मज्झि पुंसि

नियुक्तो मानपालो नाम वीरकेतुमन्त्री मानधनश्चतुरङ्गवलसम-
न्वितोऽन्यत्र रचितशिबिरंस्तं निजनाथावमानखिन्नमानसोऽन्तर्बिभेद '
 इति । ' विप्रोऽसौ बहुतनयो विद्वान्निधनः स्थविरश्च दानयोग्यः ' इति
 तस्मै करुणापूर्णमना रत्नमदाय । परमाह्लादविकसिताननोऽभिहिता-
नेकाशीः कुत्रचिदग्रजन्मा जगाम । अध्वश्रमखिन्नेन मया तत्र निर-
वेशि निद्रासुखम् । तदनु पश्चान्निगडितबाहुयुगलः स भूसुरः कशा-
घातचिह्नितगात्रोऽनेकनैस्त्रिशिकानुयातोऽभ्येत्य माय ' असौ दस्युः '
 इत्यदर्शयत् । परित्यक्तभूसुरा राजभटा रत्नावाप्तिप्रकारं मदुक्तमना-
कर्ण्य भयरहितं मां गाढं नियम्य रज्जुभिरानीय कारागारम् ' एते तव
 सखायः ' इति निगडितान्कांश्चिर्निर्दिष्टवन्तो मामपि निगडितचरण-
युगलमकार्षुः । किं कर्तव्यतामूढेन निराशङ्केशानुभवेनावीचि मया—' ननु
 पुरुषा वीर्यपुरुषाः, निमित्तेन केन निर्विशथ कारावासदुःखं दुस्तरम् ।
 यूयं वयस्या इति निर्दिष्टमेतैः, किमिदम् ' इति । तथाविधं मामवेक्ष्य
 भूसुरान्मया श्रुतं लटपतिवृत्तान्तं व्याख्याय चौरवीराः पुनरवोचन्—
 ' महाभाग, वीरकेतुमन्त्रिणो मानपालस्य किंकरा वयम् । तदाज्ञया
 लटेश्वरमारणाय रात्रौ सुरङ्गाद्वारेण तदगारं प्रविश्य तत्र राजाभा-
वेन विषण्णा बहु धनमपहृत्य महाटवीं प्राविशाम । अपरेद्युश्च पदा-

जले धने ' इति मोदिनी । मान एव धनं यस्येति तथा । शिबिरं सैन्य-
वासस्थानम् । ' तळ ' इति ख्यातम् । नाथः स्वामी राजा । बिभेद भेदं चकार ।
अभिहिता उच्चारिताः । दत्ता इति यावत् । अनेकाशिषो येन सः । निद्रासुखं निर-
वेश्युपभुक्तम् । अहं निद्रावशोऽभवमित्यर्थः । पश्चात्पृष्ठदेशे निगडितं
शृङ्खलादिना बद्धं बाहुयुगलं यस्येति तथा । दत्तपश्चाद्वन्ध इत्यर्थः । कशायाः कशाया
वा घात आघातो वा ताडनम् । नैस्त्रिशिकाः खड्गधारिणः । दस्युश्चौरः ।
परित्यक्तो बन्धनान्मुक्तो भूसुरो यैस्ते । रत्नस्यावाप्तेः प्रकारम् । रज्जु-
भिर्दोरकैः । कारागारं बन्धनगृहम् । निगडितान्बद्धान् । किं कर्तव्यतायां तद्विषये
भूदः । किं कर्तव्यमित्यजानतेत्यर्थः । वीर्येण पराक्रमेण पक्षाः कठिनाः । निमि-
त्तेन कारणेन । निर्विशथानुभवथ । व्याख्याय कथयित्वा । चौराश्च ते वीराश्च ।
सुरङ्गा बिलपथः । अगारं गृहम् । विषण्णाः खिन्नाः । पदानि पादप्रतिमास्ता

न्वेषिणो राजानुचरा बहवोऽभ्येत्य धृतधनचयानस्मान्परितः परिवृत्य
 हठतरं बद्धा निकटमानीय समस्तवस्तुशोधनवेलायामेकस्यानध्यरत्नेस्या-
 भावेनास्मद्वधाय माणिक्यादानायास्मान्किलाशृङ्खलयन्' इति । श्रुतरत्न-
 रत्नावलोकनस्थानोऽहम् ' इदं तदेव माणिक्यम् ' इति निश्चित्य भूदेव-
 दाननिमित्तां दुरवस्थामात्मनो जन्म नामधेयं युष्मदन्वेषणपर्यटनप्रकारं
 चाभाष्य समयोचितैः संलापैर्मैत्रीमकार्षम् । ततोऽर्धरात्रे तेषां मम च
 शृङ्खलाबन्धनं निर्मिद्य तैरनुगम्यमानो निद्रितस्य द्वाःस्थगणस्यैयुधजाल-
 मादाय पुररक्षान्पुरतोऽभिमुखागतान्पटुपराक्रमलीलयाऽभिद्राव्य मान-
 पालशिविरं प्राविशम् । मानपालो निजकिंकरेभ्यो मम कुलाभिमानवृत्तान्तं
 तत्कालीनं विक्रमं च निशम्य मामार्चयत् । परेद्युर्मत्तकालेन प्रेषिताः
 केचन पुरुषा मानपालमुपत्यं ' मन्त्रिन् मदीयराजमन्दिरे सुरङ्गया बहु
 धनमपहृत्य चौरवीरा भवदीयं कटकं प्राविशन् । तानर्पय । नो चेन्म-
 हाननर्थः संभविष्यति ' इति क्रूरतरं वाक्यमब्रुवन् । तदाकर्ण्य रोषा-
 रुणितनेत्रो मन्त्री ' लाटपतिः कः, तेन मैत्री का, पुनरस्य वराकस्य
 सेवया किं लभ्यम् ' इति तान्निरभर्त्सयत् । ते च मानपालेनोक्तं
 विप्रलापं मत्तकालाय तथैवाकथयन् । कुपितोऽपि लाटपतिर्दोर्वीर्य-
 गर्वेणाल्पसैनिकसमेतो योद्धुमभ्यगात् । पूर्वमेव कृतरणनिश्चयो
 मानी मानपालः संनद्धयोधो युद्धकामो भूत्वा निःशङ्कं निरगात् ।

अन्विष्यन्तीति पदान्वेषिणः । शोधनमन्वेषणम् । अनर्थममृत्युम् । महामृत्य-
 मित्यर्थः । माणिक्यस्य आदानाय ग्रहणाय । अशृङ्खलयन् शृङ्खलाभिर्निगडितानकुर्वन् ।
 श्रुतं रत्नस्य रत्नावलोकनस्य च स्थानं येन सः । भूदेवेति । विप्रदानात्
 संजाताम् । दुरवस्थां संकटम् । नामधेयं नाम । युष्मच्छब्दे राजवाहनग्रहणम् ।
 द्वारि तिष्ठन्ति ते द्वाःस्थास्तेषां गणस्तस्य । आयुधानां जालं समूहम् । पुर-
 रक्षान्पुररक्षणनियुक्तपुरुषान् । अभिश्राव्य प्रपलाप्य । तत्काले भवं तत्काली-
 नम् । भवदीयं युष्माकम् । रोषेणारुणिते नेत्रे यस्य तथा । वराकस्य नीचस्य ।
 निरभर्त्सयद्विक्वकार । विप्रलापं विरोधोक्तिम् । दोर्वीर्यं भुजबलम् । सैनिका
 योद्धारः । कृतरणनिश्चयः कृतयुद्धव्यवसायः । संनद्धाः सज्जाः । वर्मिता इति

अहमपि सबहुमानं मन्त्रिदत्तानि बहुलतुरङ्गमोपेतं चतुरसारार्थिं रथं
च दृढतरं कवचं मदनुरूपं चापं च विविधबाणपूर्णं तूणीरद्वयं रण-
समुचितान्यायुधानि गृहीत्वा युद्धसंनद्धो मदीयबलविश्वासेन रिपूद्धर-
णोद्युक्तं मन्त्रिणमन्त्रगाम् । परस्परमत्सरेण तुमुलसंगरकरमुभयसैन्यम-
तिक्रम्य समुल्लसद्भुजाटोपेन बाणवर्षं तदङ्गे विमुञ्चन्नरार्तिं प्राहरम् ।
ततोऽतिरयतुरङ्गमं मद्रथं तन्निकटं नीत्वा शीघ्रलङ्घनोपेततदीयरथो-
ऽहमरातेः शिरःकर्तनमकार्षम् । तस्मिन्निपतिते तदवशिष्टसैनिकेषु पल्लव्यि-
तेषु नानाविधहयगजादिवस्तुजातमादाय परमानन्दसंनतो मन्त्री समानेक-
विधां संभावनामकार्षीत् । मानपालप्रेषितात्तदनुचरैर्देतदखिलमुदन्त-
जातमाकर्ण्य संतुष्टमना राजाऽभ्युद्गतो मदीयपराक्रमे विस्मयमानः समहो-
त्सवममात्यबान्धवानुमत्या शुभादने नजतनया मह्यमदात् । ततो
यौवराज्याभिषिक्तोऽहमनुदिनमाराधितमहीपालचितो वामलोचनयाऽनया
सह नानाविधं सौख्यमनुभवन्भवद्विरहवेदनाशल्यसुलभवैकल्यहृदयः
सिद्धादेशेन सुहृज्जबावलोकनफलं प्रदेशं महाकालनिवासिनः परमेश्वर-
स्याराधनायाद्य पत्नीसमेतः समागतोऽस्मि । भक्तवत्सलस्य गौरीपतेः
कारुण्येन त्वत्पदारविन्दसंदर्शनानन्दसंदोहो मया लब्धः । इति ।

तान्नशम्याभिनन्दितपराक्रमा राजवाहनस्तान्नरपराधदण्डं दैवमुपा-

यावत् । योधा यस्य सः । बहुलैः महाकायैः तुरङ्गमैरेतम् । चतुरसारार्थिमिति
बहुव्रीहिः । कवचं वर्म । 'चिलखत' इति भाषायाम् । तूणीर इषुधिः । 'भाता'
इति ख्यातः । उद्धरणमुच्छेदः । तुमुलः संकुलः संगरो युद्धम् । समुल्लमन्त्यौ आज-
माने भुजे बाहू तयोः आठोपो गर्वः । बाणानां वषो वृष्टिः । अरार्तिं शत्रुम् ।
अतिरथा वेगवन्तस्तुरङ्गमा यस्य तम् । शीघ्रं लङ्घनमाक्रमणं तेन उपेतः प्राप्तः तस्येयं
तदीयो रथो येन । तद्रथं गत्वैत्यर्थः । संनतो युक्तः । संभावनां संस्कारम् । अभ्यु-
द्गतः संमानार्थं प्रत्युद्यातः । युवा चासौ राजा चेति युवराजः । तस्य भावः यौवराज्यम् ।
आराधितं संतोषितम् । शल्यं शङ्कुम् । विकलस्य भावो वैकल्यं विह्वलत्वम् ।
भवतो विरहस्तस्य वेदना एव शल्यानि तेभ्यः सुलभं वैकल्यं यस्य तादृक् हृदयं
यस्य । महाकालेत्याख्यस्थले निवसतीति तम् । संदोहोऽतिशयः । तदिति ।
निशम्य श्रुत्वा । अभिनन्दितः स्तुतः पराक्रमो येन । दण्डः कारावासादिरूपः ।

लभ्य तस्मै क्रमेणात्मचरितं कथयामास । तस्मिन्नवसरे पुरतः पुष्पोद्भवं
 विलोक्य ससंभ्रमं निजनिष्ठितटस्पृष्टचरणाङ्गुलिमुदञ्जलिममुं गाढ-
 मालिङ्गचानन्दबाष्पसंकुलसंफुल्ललोचनः 'सौम्य सोमदत्त, अयं स
 पुष्पोद्भवः' इति तस्मै तं दर्शयामास । तौ च चिरविरहदुःखं विसृज्या-
 न्योन्यालिङ्गनसुखमन्वभूताम् । ततस्तस्यैव महीरुहस्य च्छायाया-
 मुपविश्य राजा सादरहासमभाषत—'वयस्य, भूसुरकार्यं करिष्णुः (हं
 मित्रगणो विदितार्थः सर्वथाऽन्तरायं करिष्यतीति निद्रितान्भवतः परि-
 त्यज्य निरगाम् । तदनु प्रबुद्धो वयस्यवर्गः किमिति निश्चित्य मदन्वे-
 षणाय कुत्र गतवान् । भवानेकाकी कुत्र गतः' इति । सोऽपि
 ललाटतटचुम्बदञ्जलिपुटः सविनयमलपत्—

इति श्रीदण्डिनः कृतौ दशकुमारचरिते सोमदत्तचरितं नाम तृतीय उच्छ्वासः ।

चतुर्थोच्छ्वासः ।

‘देव, महीसुरोपकागयैव देवो गतवानिति निश्चित्यापि देवेन
 गन्तव्यं देशं निर्णेतुमशक्नुवानो मित्रगणः परस्परं वियुज्य दिक्षु देव-
 मन्वेष्टुमगच्छत् । अहमपि देवस्यान्वेषणाय महीमटन्कदाचिदम्बरमध्य-
 गतस्याम्बरमणेः किरणममहिष्णुरेकस्य गिरितटमहीरुहस्य प्रच्छाय-
 शीतले तले क्षणमुपविशाम् । मम पुरोभागे दिर्नमध्यसंकुचितमर्वा-
 वयवां कूर्माकृतिं मानुपच्छायां निरीक्ष्योन्मुखो गगनतलान्महारयेण
 पतन्तं पुरुषं कंचिदन्तराल एव दयोपनतहृदयोऽहमवलम्ब्य शनैरवनितले

उपालभ्य गृहित्वा । निजं निष्ठिलं ललाटं तस्य तटेन स्पृष्टः चरणयोरङ्गुल्यो
 येन तम् । आनन्दस्य बाष्पाणि तैः संकुले पूर्णे संफुल्ले च लोचने यस्य । अन्तरायं
 वित्रम । ललाटतटं चुम्बद् अञ्जलिपुटं यस्य । अलपट्टभाषे ।

इति श्रीदशकुमारचरितपूर्वपीठिकाटीकायां
 पददीपिकाभिधायाम् तृतीय उच्छ्वासः ।

देवेति । अशक्नुवानः । अत्र आत्मनेपदं चिन्त्यम् । यद्वा 'ताच्छीत्यवयो-
 वचनशक्तिपु चानश्' इति चानश् । अम्बरमणेः सूर्यस्य । दिनमध्येन संकुचिताः
 सर्वेऽवयवा यस्याः सा । कूर्मस्यैवाकृतिर्यस्याः सा ताम् । वीतसंज्ञं नष्टचेष्टम् ।

निक्षिप्य दूरापातवीतसंज्ञं तं शिशिरोपचारेण विबोध्य शोकातिरेके-
 णोद्गतत्राण्यलोचनं तं भृगुपतनकारणमपृच्छम् । सोऽपि कररुहैरश्रु-
 कणानपनयन्नभाषत—‘ सौम्य, मगधाधिनाथामात्यस्य पद्मोद्भवस्यात्म-
 संभवो रत्नोद्भवो नामाहम् । वाणिज्यरूपेण कालयवनद्वीपमुपेत्य का-
 मपि वाणिक्कन्यकां परिणीय तया सह प्रत्यागच्छन्नम्बुधौ तीरस्या-
 नतिदूर एव प्रवहणस्य भग्नतया सर्वेषु निमग्नेषु कथं कथमपि दैवानुकू-
 ल्येन तरिभूमिमभिगम्य निजाङ्गनावियोगदुःखार्णवे प्लवमानः कस्यापि-
 सिद्धतापसस्यादेशादरेण षोडश हायनानि कथंचिन्नीत्वा दुःखस्य पार-
 मनवेशमाणो गिरिपतनमकार्षम् ’ इति । तस्मिन्नेवावसरे किमपि
 नारीकूजितमश्रावि—‘ न खलु समुचितमिदं यत्सिद्धादिष्टे पतितनय-
 मिलने विरहमसहिष्णुर्वैश्वानरं विशसि ’ इति । तन्निशम्य मनोविदित-
 जनकभावं तमवादिषम्—‘ तात, भवते विज्ञापनीयानि बहूनि सन्ति ।
 भवतु । पश्चादखिलमाख्यातव्यम् । अधुना नारीकूजितमनुपेक्षणीयं
 मया । क्षणमात्रमत्र भवता स्थायिताम् ’ इति । तदनु सोऽहं त्वरया
 किंचिदन्तरमगमम् । तत्र पुरतो भयंकरज्वालाकुलहुतभुगवगाहनसाह-
 सिकां मुकुलिताञ्जलिपुटां वनितां कांचिदवलोक्य ससंभ्रममनलादपनीय
 कूजन्त्या वृद्धया सह मत्पितुरभ्यर्णमभिगमय्य स्थविरामवोचम्—‘ वृद्धे,
 भवत्यौ कुत्रत्ये । कान्तारे निमित्तेन केन दुरवस्थाऽनुभूयते । कथ्यताम् ’
 इति । सा सगद्गदमवादीत्—‘ पुत्र, कालयवनद्वीपे कालगुप्तनाम्नो

विबोध्य प्रकृतिमापाद्य । अतिरेकोऽतिशयः । भृगोः पतनस्य कारणं हेतुम् । कररुहैर्नखैः ।
 प्रवहणस्य पोतस्य । कथं कथमपि महताऽऽयासेन । अङ्गना भार्या । तस्या वियोग-
 दुःखमेवार्णवस्तस्मिन् । हायनानि वत्सरान् । कूजितं शब्दः । सिद्धेनादिष्टे कथिते ।
 वैश्वानरं बह्निम् । मनसा विदितो जनकभावो यस्य तम् । विज्ञापनीयानि विज्ञापयितुं
 योग्यानि । ज्वालाभिराकुलो व्याप्तो यो हुतभुगमिस्तत्रावगाहनं प्रवेशः तदेव साहसं
 तत्रोद्यतामित्यर्थः । कूजन्त्या विलपन्त्या । अभ्यर्णं समीपम् । अभिगमय्य प्रापय्य ।
 गिजन्ताल्यप् । कुत्रत्ये कुत आगते । दुरवस्था सव्यसनिता । सगद्गदं गद्गदस्वरेण ।

वणिजः कस्यचिदेषा सुता सुवृत्ता नाम रत्नोद्भवेन निजकान्ते-
 नागच्छन्ती जलधौ मग्ने प्रह्वणे निजधान्या मया सह फलकमेक-
 मवलम्ब्य दैवयोगेन कूलमुपेताऽऽसन्नप्रसवसमया कस्यांचिदटव्यामात्मज-
 मसूत । मम तु मन्दभाग्यतया बाले वनमातङ्गेन गृहीते मद्वितीया
 परिभ्रमन्ती ' षोडशवर्षानन्तरं भर्तृपुत्रसंगमो भविष्यति ' इति सिद्ध-
 वाक्यविश्वासादेकस्मिन्पुण्याश्रमे तावन्तं समयं नीत्वा शोकमपारं
 'सोदुमक्षमा समुज्ज्वलिते वैश्वानरे शरीरमाहुतीकर्तुमुद्युक्ताऽऽसीत्' इति ।
 तदाकर्ण्य निजजननीं ज्ञात्वा तामहं दण्डवत्प्रणम्य तस्यै मदुदन्त-
 मखिलमाख्याय धात्रीभाषणफुल्लवदनं विस्मयविकसिताक्षं जनकमदर्शयम् ।
 पितरौ तौ साभिज्ञानमन्योन्यं ज्ञात्वा मुदितान्तरात्मानौ विनीतं मामैन-
 न्दाश्रुवर्षेणाभिषिच्य गाढमाश्लिष्य शिरस्युपाघ्राय कस्यांचिन्महीरुह-
 च्छायायामुपाविशताम् । ' कथं निवसति महीवल्लभो राजहंसः ' इति
 जनकेन पृष्टोऽहं तस्य राज्यच्युतिं त्वदीयजननं सकलकुमारावाप्तिं तव
 दिग्भ्रजयारम्भं भवतो मातङ्गानुयानमस्माकं युष्मदन्वेषणकारणं सकल-
 मभ्यधाम् । ततस्तौ कस्यचिदाश्रमे मुनेरस्थापयम् । ततो देवस्यान्वेषण-
 परायणोऽहमखिलकार्यनिमित्तं वित्तं निश्चित्य भवदनुग्रहाल्लब्धस्य
 साधकत्वस्य साहाय्यकरणदक्षं शिष्यगणं निष्पाद्य विन्ध्यवनमध्ये
 पुरातनपत्तनस्थानान्युपेत्य विविधनिधिसूचकानां महीरुहाणामधोनिक्षिप्ता-
 न्वसुपूर्णाङ्कलशान्सिद्धाञ्जनेन ज्ञात्वा राक्षिषु पैरितः स्थितेषु खनन-

आसन्नः प्राप्तः प्रसवस्य समयो यस्याः सा । इनमातङ्गेन वन्यकरिणा । अहं
 द्वितीया सहायभूता यस्याः सा । तावन्तं तत्परिमाणकं समयं षोडशाब्दानित्यर्थः ।
 अक्षमाऽसमर्था । दण्डः काष्ठदण्डस्तेन तुल्यं दण्डवत् । धान्या यद्भाषणं तेन फुल्लानन्द-
 विकसितं वदनं यस्य तम् । साभिज्ञानमन्योन्यप्रत्यभिज्ञादर्शकचिह्नानि दृष्ट्वा पृष्ट्वा च ।
 मुदितो हृष्टोऽन्तरात्मा ययोस्तौ । विनीतं प्रश्रयावनतम् । च्युतिर्भ्रष्टः । परायणस्त-
 त्परः । दक्षश्चतुरः । सिद्धाञ्जनेन सिद्धादिष्टेन दत्तेन वाऽञ्जनेन । खननसाधनैः

साधनैरुत्पाद्य दीनारानसंख्यान्राशीकृत्य तत्कालगतमनतिदूरे निवेशितं वणिक्कटकं कंचिदभ्येत्य तत्र बलिनो बलीवर्दान्गोणीश्च क्रीत्वाऽन्यद्रव्यमिषेण वसु तद्गोणीसंचितं तैरुद्धमानं शनैः कटक-नयम् । तदधिकारिणा चन्द्रपालेन केनचिद्वणिक्पुत्रेण विरचितसौहृदोऽहममुनैव साकमुज्जयिनीमुपाविशम् । मत्पितरावपि तां पुरीमभिगमय सकलगुणनिलयेन बन्धुपालनाम्ना चन्द्रपालजनकेन नीयमानो मालवनाथदर्शनं विधाय तदनुमत्या गूढवसतिमकरवम् । ततः काननभूमिषु भवन्तमन्वेष्टुमुद्युक्तं मां परममित्रं बन्धुपालो निशम्यब्रूदत्- - 'सकलं धरणीतलमपारमन्वेष्टुमक्षमो भवान्मनोग्लानिं विहाय तूष्णीं तिष्ठतु । भवन्नायकालोकनकारणं शुभशकुनं निरीक्ष्य कथयिष्यामि' इति । तल्लपितामृताश्वासितहृदयोऽहमनुदिनं तदुपकण्ठवर्ती कदाचिदिन्दुमुखीं नवयौवनावलीढावयवां नयनचन्द्रिकां बालचन्द्रिकां नाम तरुणीरत्नं वणिङ्मन्दिरलक्ष्मीं मूर्तामिवावलोक्य तदीयलावण्यावधूतधीरभावो लतान्तबाणबाणलक्ष्यतामयासिषम् । चकितबालकुरङ्गलोचना साऽपि कुसुमसायकसायकायमानेन कटाक्षवीक्षणेन मामसकृन्निरीक्ष्य मन्दमारुतान्दोलिता लतेवाकम्पत । मनसाऽभिमुखैश्च समाकुञ्चितै

स्त्रनित्रादिभिः । दीनारानेतत्संज्ञकनाणकान् । वणिक्कटकं वणिक्समाजम् । बलीवर्दान्वृषभान् । गोणीर्धान्यावपनानि । 'जानपदकुण्डगोण—' इति ङीष् आवपनार्थे । अन्यद्रव्यमिषेणान्यद्रव्यमिति कथयित्वा । अभिगमय्य प्रापय्य । निलयो गृहं वासस्थानम् । न विद्यते पारोऽन्तो यस्य तदपारम् । ग्लानिं हर्षक्षयं निर्वेदम् । तस्या लपितं भाषितमेवामृतं तेनाश्वासितं हृदयं यस्य । उपकण्ठवर्ती समीपवर्ती । नवयौवनेन अवलीढा व्याप्ता अवयवा यस्यास्ताम् । मूर्ता मूर्तिमतीम् । तदीयेति । तस्या लावण्येन सौन्दर्येणावधूतश्चालितो धीरभावो धैर्यं यस्यैतादृशः । लतान्ता बाणा यस्य स लतान्तबाणः कामस्तस्य बाणास्तेषां लक्ष्यतां शरव्यत्वम् । लावण्यवतीं तां दृष्ट्वा कामबाणैर्विद्धोऽभवमिति तात्पर्यार्थः । चकितो भीतो यः बालकुरङ्गस्तस्येव लोचने यस्याः । बालशब्देनातिकातरत्वमतिलोत्थं च नयनयोर्दर्शितम् । कुसुमानि सायका यस्य स कामस्तस्य सायक इवाचरतीति तथा तेन । कटाक्षवीक्षणेन चेष्टाविशेषेणापाङ्गदर्शनेन । असकृद्भारंवारम् । आन्दोलिता कम्पिता । मनसा अकथयदिति संबन्धः । रागश्च लज्जा च तयोरन्तराले मध्ये वर्तन्ते इति तैः ।

रागलज्जान्तरालवर्तिमिरपाङ्गवर्तिमिरिक्षणविशेषैर्निजमनोवृत्तिमकथयत् ।
 चतुरगूढचेष्टाभिरस्या मनोनुरागं सम्यग्ज्ञात्वा सुखसंगमोपायमचिन्त-
 यम् । अन्यदा बन्धुपालः शकुनैर्मवद्वर्तिं प्रेक्षिष्यमाणः पुरोपान्त-
 विहारवनं मया सहोपेत्य कस्मिंश्चिन्महीरुहे शकुन्तवचनानि शृण्वन्न-
 तिष्ठत् । अहमुत्कलिकाविनोदपरायणो वनान्तरे परिभ्रमन्सरोवरतीरे
 चिन्ताक्रान्ताचित्तां दीनवदनां मन्मनोरथैकभूमिं बालचन्द्रिकां व्यलोक-
 यम् । तस्याः ससंभ्रमप्रेमलज्जाकौतुकमनोरमं लीलाविलोकनसुखमनु-
 भवन्सुदत्या वदनारविन्दे विषण्णभावं मदनकदनखेदानुभूतं ज्ञात्वा
 तन्निमित्तं ज्ञास्थँल्लीलया तदुपकण्ठमुपेत्यावोचम्—‘ सुमुखि तव
 मुखारविन्दस्य दैन्यकारणं कथय ’ इति । सा रहस्यसंजात-
 विश्रम्भतया विहाय लज्जाभये शनैरभाषत—‘ सौम्य मानसारो
 मालवाधीश्वरो वार्द्धकस्य प्रचलतया निजनन्दनं दर्पसारमुज्जयि-
 न्यामभ्यषिञ्चत् । म कुमारः ममसागरपर्यन्तं महीमण्डलं पालयि-
 व्यन्निजपैतृष्वस्तीयावुदण्डकर्माणौ चण्डवर्मदारुवर्मणौ धरणीभरणे
 निगुज्य तपश्चरणाय राजराजगिरिमभ्यगात् । राज्यं सर्वमपत्नं
 शामति चण्डदर्मणि दारुवर्मा मातुलाग्रजन्मनोः शासनमतिक्रम्य

अपाङ्गयोर्नयनप्रान्नयोर्वनन्ते तेः । ‘ माङ्गभङ्गिभिः ’ इति पाठेऽङ्गभङ्गिभिः विकृ-
 तिभिः सहितैः । ‘ व्याजच्छलानभे भङ्गिः ’ इति रभसः । विशेषावस्थानशोभिभिरि-
 त्यर्थः । मनोवृत्ति मनोव्यापारम् । अभिलापमिति यावत् । अनुरागं प्रीतिम् । अन्य-
 दैकस्मिन्काले । भवतो गति दशां स्थितिमिति यावत् । ‘ गतिर्माणे दशायां च ’
 इति विश्वः । उपान्ते ममीपे । विहारवनं कीडोद्यानम् । शकुन्ताः परिक्षणः । उत्कलि-
 कोत्कण्ठा । चिन्तयाऽऽक्रान्तं पर्याकुलं चित्तं यस्याः । दीनवदनां विषण्णमुखीम् ।
 एकभूमि मुख्यस्थानम् । संभ्रमेण सहितं संभ्रमं यत् प्रेम च लज्जा च कौतुकं च
 तैर्मनोरमम् । लीलया लीलानां वा विलोकनं तस्य सुखम् । मदनकदनं उन्माथस्त-
 स्मात्स्वेदः तस्मादनुभूतम् । उपकण्ठं समीपम् । रहस्यविषये संजात उत्पन्नो विश्रम्भः
 तत्तया । वार्द्धकस्य जरायाः । पैतृष्वस्तीयां पितुः स्वसायास्तनयौ । ‘ पितृष्वसुच्छण् ’ इति
 छण् । ‘ मातृपितृभ्यां स्वसा ’ इति स्वमुः सस्य षत्वं च । उदण्डं धोरं कर्म ययोः ।
 धरणीभरणे पृथ्वीपोषणे । राज्यपालन इत्यर्थः । राजराजः कुबेरस्तस्य गिरिः कैलासः ।
 असपत्नं निर्जितशत्रुम् । निष्कण्टकमिति यावत् । शासति सति । मातुलो मातुर्भाता
 अग्रजन्मा उयायान्भाता च तयोः । ‘ मातुर्दुल्व ’ । ‘ पितृभ्यमातुल- ’ इति

पारदार्यपरद्रव्यापहरणादि दुष्कर्म कुर्वाणो मन्मथसमानस्य भवतो
 लावण्यायत्तचित्तां मामेकदा विलोक्य कन्यादूषणदोषं दूरीकृत्य
 बलात्कारेण रन्तुमुद्युक्ते । तच्चिन्तया दैन्यमगच्छम् ' इति । तस्या
 मनोगतं मयि रागोद्रेकं मन्मनोरथसिद्धयन्तरायं च निशम्य
 बाष्पपर्णलोचनां तामाश्वास्य दारुवर्मणो मारणोपायं च विचार्य
 वल्लभामवोचम्—'तरुणि भवदभिलाषिणं दुष्टहृदयमेनं निहन्तुं मृदुरुपायः
 काश्चिन्मया चिन्त्यते । यक्षः कश्चिदधिष्ठाय बालचन्द्रिकां निवसति' ।
 तदाकारसंपदाशशृङ्खलितहृदयो यः संबन्धयोग्यः साहस्रिको रतिमन्दिरे
 तं यक्षं निर्मित्य तयैकसखीसमेतया मृगाक्ष्या संलापामृतसुखमनुभूय
 कुशली निर्गमिष्यति तेन चक्रवाकसंशयाकारपयोधरा विवाह-
 सिद्धेनैकेनावादीति पुरजनस्य पुरतो भवदीयैः सत्य-
 वाक्यैर्जनैरसकृत्कथनीयम् । तदनु दारुवर्मा वाक्यानीत्थंविधामि
 श्रावंश्रावं तूष्णीं यदि भिया स्थास्यति तर्हि वरम् । यदि वा दौर्ज-
 न्येन त्वया संगमङ्गीकरिष्यति तदा स भवदीयैरित्थं वाच्यः—
 'सौम्य दर्पसारवसुधाधिपामात्यस्य भवतोऽस्मन्निवासे साहसकरण-
 मनुचितम् । पौरजनसाक्षिकं भवन्मदिरमानीतया तया तोयनाक्ष्या सह
 क्रीडन्नायुष्मान्यदि भविष्यसि तदा परिणीय तरुणीं मनोरथा-
 न्निर्विश ' इति । सोऽप्येतदङ्गीकरिष्यति । त्वं सखीवेषधारिणा
 मया सह तस्य मन्दिरं गच्छ । अहमेकान्तनिकेतने मुष्टिजानुपादाघा-
 तैस्तं रभसान्निहत्य पुनरपि वयस्यामिषेण भवतीमनु निःशङ्कं निर्ग-

निपातः । शासनमतिकम्य तन्निदेशमतिवृत्त्य । उल्लङ्घयेत्यर्थः । पारदार्यं परदाराभि-
 मर्शः । मन्मथः कामः । मनो मथ्नातीति मन्मथः । आयत्तमधीनम् । रागोद्रेकं
 प्रीत्यतिशयम् । मृदुः कोमलः । बालचन्द्रिकामिति 'अधिशोऽस्थासां कर्म' इति कर्मत्वम् ।
 तस्या आकारसंपदः शोभनाकृतेराशा तया शृङ्खलितं हृदयं यस्य सः । साहस्रिकः
 साहसं कर्तुमुद्यतः । सत्यवाक्यैः आसैरित्यर्थः । श्रावंश्रावं श्रुत्वा श्रुत्वा ।
 णमुल् । तोयजं कमलम् । निर्विशोपमुद्भव । निकेतने गृहे । रभसाद्वेगेन ।

मिष्यामि । तदेनमुपायमङ्गीकृत्य विगतसाध्वसलज्जा भवज्जनक-
जननीऽहोदराणां पुरत आवयोः प्रेमातिशयमाख्याय सर्वथा-
ऽस्मत्पणिगयकरणे ताननुनयेः । तेऽपि वंशसंपल्लावण्याढ्याय यूने
ममं त्वां दास्यन्त्येव । दारुवर्मणो मारणोपायं तेभ्यः कथयित्वा
तेषामुत्तरमाख्येयं ममाम् ' इति । साऽपि किञ्चिदुत्फुल्लसरसिजानना
मामब्रवीत्—'सुभग कूरकर्मणं दारुवर्मणं भवानेव हन्तुमर्हति ।
तस्मिन्हते सर्वथा युष्मन्मनोरथः फलिष्यति । एवं क्रियताम् ।
भवदुक्तं सर्वमहमपि तथा करिष्ये ' इति मामसकृद्विवृत्तवदना
बिलोकयन्ती मन्दं मन्दमगारमगात् । अहमपि बन्धुपालमुपेत्य शकुन-
ज्ञातस्मात् ' त्रिंशद्विषानन्तरमेव भवत्सः संभविष्यति ' इत्य-
शृण्वम् । तदनु मदनुगम्यमानो बन्धुपालो निजावासं प्रविश्य
मामपि निलयाय विससर्ज । मन्मायोपायवागुरापाशलमेन दारु-
वर्मणा रतिमन्दिरे रन्तुं समाहूता बालचन्द्रिका तं गमिष्यन्ती दूतिकां
मन्निकटमभिप्रेषितवती । अहमपि माणिनूपुरमेखलाकङ्कणकटकताटङ्क-
हारक्षौमकज्जलं वनितायोग्यं मण्डनजातं निपुणतया तत्तत्स्थानेषु
निक्षिप्य सम्यगङ्गीकृतमनोज्ञवेषो वल्लभया तथा सह तदागार-
द्वारोपान्तमगच्छम् । द्वाःस्थकथितास्मदागमनेन सादरं विहिताभ्यु-
द्वतिना तेन द्वारोपान्तनिवारिताशेषपरिवारेण मदन्विता बाल-
चन्द्रिका संकेतागारमनीयत । नगरव्याकुलां यक्षकथां परीक्षन्नागरिक-
ज्मोऽपि कुतूहलेन दारुवर्मणः प्रतीहारभूमिमगमत् । विवेकशून्य-

अनुनयेस्तोषयेः । लिङ् । वंशसंपञ्च लावण्यं च ताभ्यामाढ्याय युक्ताय संपन्नाय
वा । किञ्चिदुत्फुल्लं यत्सरसिजं कमलं तद्वदाननं यस्याः । अलुक्समासः । विवृत्तं
परावृत्तं वदनं मुखं यस्याः सा । अगारं गृहम् । निलयाय । गृहं गन्तुमित्यर्थः ।
'सुमर्याच्च भाववचनात्' इति चतुर्थी । मम मायोपायः कपटयुक्तिः स एव वागुरा
बन्धनं तस्याः पाशालमेन । नूपुरो मञ्जीरः पादभूषणम् । मेखला काञ्चोदाम कटि-
भूषणम् । कङ्कणं कटकं च हस्तभूषणे । ताटङ्कं कर्णभूषणम् । क्षौमं दुकूलम् । तत्तत्स्था-
नेषु योग्यस्थानेषु । विहिताऽभ्युद्वतियेन । नगरव्याकुलां पुरप्रसृताम् । परीक्षन्ति
प्रयोगः प्रामादिकः । परीक्षमाण इति वक्तव्यम् । कुतूहलेन कौतुकेन । प्रतीहारभूमिं द्वार-

मतिरसौ रागातिरेकेण रत्नखचितहेमपर्यङ्के हंसतूलगभशयन-
मानीय तरुणीं तस्यै मह्यं तामित्वासम्यगनवलोकितपुंभावाय मनोरम-
स्त्रीवेषाय च चामीकरमणिमयमण्डनानि सूक्ष्माणि चित्रवस्त्राणि
कस्तूरिकामिलितं हरिचन्दनं कर्पूरसहितं ताम्बूलं सुरभीणि
कुसुमानीत्यादिवस्तुजातं समर्प्य मुहूर्तद्वयमात्रं हासवचनैः
संलपन्नतिष्ठत् । ततो रागान्धतया सुमुख्यालिङ्गने मतिं व्यधत् ।
शेषारुणितोऽहमेनं पर्यङ्कतलान्निःशङ्को निपात्य मुष्टिजानुपादा-
न्नातैः प्राहरम् । नियुद्धरभसविकलमलंकारं भूर्वन्मेलयित्वा
भयकम्पितां नताङ्गीमुपलालयन्मन्दिराङ्गणमुपेतः साध्वस-
कम्पित इवोच्चैरकूजमहम्—‘ हा बालचन्द्रिकाधिष्ठितेन घोरा-
कारेण यक्षेण दारुवर्मा निहन्यते । सहसा समागच्छत । पश्यतेमम् ’
इति । तदाकर्ण्य मिलिता जनाः समुद्यद्वाष्पा हाहानिनादेन दिशो
बधिरयन्तः ‘ बालचन्द्रिकामधिष्ठितं यक्षं बलवन्तं शृण्वन्नपि दारुवर्मा
मदान्धस्तामेवायाचत । तदसौ स्वकीयेन कर्मणा निहतः । किं तस्य
विलापेन ’ इति मिथो लपन्तः प्राविशन् । कोलाहले तस्मिंश्चटुल-
लोचनया सह नैपुण्येन सहसा निर्गतो निजावासमगाम् । ततो गतेषु
कतिपयदिनेषु पौरजनसमक्षं सिद्धादेशप्रकारेण विवाह्य तामिन्दुमुखीं
पूर्वसंकल्पितान्सुरतविशेषान्यथेष्टमन्त्रभूषम् । बन्धुपालशकुननिर्दिष्टे दिवसे-
ऽस्मिन्निर्गत्य पुराद्धहिर्वर्तमानो नेत्रोत्सवकारि भवदवलोकनसुखमप्य-
नुभवामि’ इति ।

प्रवेशम् । विवेकेन शून्या रहिता मतिर्यस्य । हंसतूले गर्भे यस्य तत् । तामित्वा
रात्रिस्तस्यां सम्यगनवलोकितो न दृष्टः पुंभावः पुंस्त्वं यस्य तस्मै । चामीकरं
सुवर्णं मणयश्च तेषां विकाराः चामीकरमणिमयानि । ‘ चामीकरं जातरूपम् ’
इत्यमरः । मण्डनान्यलंकाराम् । चित्राणि रमणीयानि । मुहूर्तो द्वादशक्षणा-
वधिः कालः । नियुद्धस्य बाहुयुद्धस्य रभसेन वेगेन विकलं स्वस्थानमप्युत्तम् ।
‘ नियुद्धं बाहुयुद्धेऽयम् ’ इत्यमरः । मेलयित्वा स्थाने स्थाने पर्यवस्थाप्य । उपलाल-
यन्सान्त्वयन् । अङ्गणमजिरम् । साध्वसं भयम् । अकूजमाक्रोशं कृतवान् । घोर
आकारो यस्य । समुद्यन्ति वाष्पाणि येषां ते । हाहानिनादेन हा हा इति शब्देन ।

एवं मित्रवृत्तान्तं निशम्याम्लानमानसो राजवाहनः स्वस्य च सोमदत्तस्य च वृत्तान्तमस्मै निवेद्य सोमदत्तम् 'महाकालेश्वराराधनानन्तरं भवद्वल्लमां सपरिवारां निजकटकं प्रापय्यागच्छ' इति नियुज्य पुष्पोद्भवेन सेव्यमानो भूस्वर्गायमानमवन्तिकापुरं विवेश । तत्र 'अयं मम स्वामिकुमारः' इति बन्धुपालादये बन्धुजनाय कथयित्वा तेन राजवाहनाय बहुविधां सपर्यां कारयन्सकलकलाकुशलो महीसुरवर इति पुरि प्रकटयन्पुष्पोद्भवोऽमुष्य राज्ञो मज्जनभोजनादिकमनुदिनं स्वमन्दिरे कारयामास ।

इति श्रीदण्डिनः कृतौ दशकुमारचरिते पुष्पोद्भवचरितं नाम चतुर्थं उच्छ्वासः ।

पञ्चमोच्छ्वासः ।

अथ मनिकेतनसेनानायकेन मलयगिरिमहीरुहनिरन्तरावाप्ति-
भुजंगमभुक्तावशिष्टेनेव सूक्ष्मतरेण धृतहरिचन्दनपरिमलमरेणेव
मन्दगतिना दक्षिणानिलेन वियोगिहृदयस्थं मन्मथानलमु-
ज्ज्वलयन्, सहकारकिसलयमकरन्दास्वादनरक्तकण्ठानां मधुकरकल-

दिशो बधिरयन्त उच्चैराक्रोशन्तः । चटुले चञ्चले । एवमिति । निजकटकं स्व-
वासस्थानम् । भुवि स्वर्ग इव आचरति तम् । सपर्यां पूजां मत्कारं वा । प्रकट-
यन्प्रथयन् । मज्जनं स्नानम् ।

इति श्रीदशकुमारचरितपूर्वपीठिकाटीकायां
पददीपिकाभिधायी चतुर्थं उच्छ्वासः ।

अथोक्तिः । मीनो मत्स्यः केतनो ध्वजो यस्य । काम इत्यर्थः । तस्य सेनाया ना-
यकोऽङ्गवीरः । सेनापतिरित्यर्थः । दक्षिणानिलस्यास्युद्दीपकत्वाभायक इत्युक्तिः ।
मलय एतत्संज्ञको दक्षिणदेशवर्ती कोऽपि गिरिः । निरन्तरं निबिडमित्यर्थः । सर्पा
वाताशिन इत्यनिलस्य भुक्तत्वम् । अनिलः सूक्ष्मतरोऽल्पोऽतीव मन्दः । मन्दत्वे पूर्व-
पदं हेतुः । एवमुत्तरत्रापि धृतहरीत्यादि मन्दगतित्वे हेतुभूतम् । पारमल आमोदः ।
यो भाराकान्तः स मन्दं यातीति स्वभावोक्तिः । अनिलो वायुः ।
मन्मथानलं कामाग्निम् । उज्ज्वलयन्दीप्तं कुर्वन् । मकरन्दो मधु । रक्तो रागयुक्तः ।

कण्ठानां काकलीकलकलेन दिक्चक्रं वाचालयन्, मानिनीमानसो-
त्कलिकामुपनयन्, माकन्दसिन्दुवाररक्ताशोककिंशुकतिलकेषु कलिका-
मुपपादयन्, मदनमहोत्सवाय रसिकननांसि समुल्लासयन्,
वसन्तसमयः समाजगाम । तस्मिन्नतिरमणीये कालेऽवन्ति सुन्दरी नाम
मानसारनन्दिनी प्रियवयस्यया बालचन्द्रिकया सह नगरोपान्तरम्यो-
द्याने विहारोत्कण्ठया पौरसुन्दरीसमवायसमन्विता कस्यचिच्चूतपोतकस्य
च्छायाशीतले सैकततले गन्धकुसुमहरिद्राक्षतचीनाम्बरादिनाना-
विधेन परिमलद्रव्यनिकरेण मनोभवमर्चयन्ती रेमे । तत्र रतिप्रतिकृति-
मवन्ति सुन्दरीं द्रष्टुकामः काम इव वसन्तसहायः पुष्पोद्भवसमन्वितो
राजवाहनस्तदुपवनं प्रविश्य तत्र तत्र मलयमारुतान्दोलितशाखानिरन्तर-
समुद्भिन्नकिसलयकुसुमफलसमुल्लासितेषु रसालतरुषु कोकिलकुलकीरालि-
मधुकराणामालापान्श्रावणं किञ्चिद्विकसदिन्दीवरकह्लारकैरव-
राजीवराजिकोलिलोलकलहंससारसकारण्डवचक्रवाकचक्रवालकलरवव्याकु-
लविमलशीतलसलिलललितानि सरांसि दर्शदर्शम्, अमन्दलीलया
ललनासमीपमवाप । बालचन्द्रिकया 'निःशङ्कमित आगम्यताम्' इति

कलकण्ठाः कोकिलाः । कलकलः कोलाहलः । वाचालयन्मुखं कुर्वन् । मानिन्यो
मानवत्यः स्त्रियः । उत्कलिकोत्कण्ठा । उपनयन्प्रापयन् । माकन्दः सहकारः । सिन्दु-
वारो निर्गुण्डो । किंशुकः पलाशः । तिलकस्तत्सङ्गको वृक्षः । कलिका कोरकः । उपपा-
दयन् जनयन् । रसिकशब्देनात्र कामजना गृह्यन्ते । समुल्लासयन्नुत्साहयन् । मानसार
इति मालवेश्वरनाम । वयस्या सखी । चूतपोतको वालाघ्नः । सैकतः सिकतामयः
प्रदेशः । चीनाम्बरं सूक्ष्मवस्त्रम् । एतान्यादौ येषां तानि गन्धादीनि तैर्नानाविधस्तेन ।
प्रतिकृतिं प्रतिमाम् । वसन्तः सहायो यस्येति तथा । मलयमारुतो दक्षिणानिल-
स्तेन आन्दोलिताश्चालिताः याः शाखाः तत्र निरन्तरं समुद्भिन्नानि यानि किसंफलाणि
तैः समुल्लासितेषु । रसालतरुणावृक्षः । कीराः शुकाः । आलयः पङ्क्तयः । आलापान्वाप ।
किञ्चिद्विकसन्ति यानि इन्दीवरकह्लारकैरवराजीवानि तेषां राजिषु याः कलयः कीडास्तत्र
लोला आसक्ता ये कलहंससारसकारण्डवचक्रवाकास्तेषां चक्रवालस्य मण्डलस्य यः
कलरवः कलोऽव्यक्तमधुरः स्वरः तेन व्याकुलानि व्याप्तानि यानि विमलसलिलानि
तैः ललितानि । इन्दीवरं नीलम् । कह्लारं शुकम् । कैरवमपि सितम् । राजाव-
मिति कमलसामान्यनाम । कलहंसो हंसजातिः पक्षिविशेषः । सारसः पुष्कराह्वः ।
कारण्डवो मद्गः । 'पाणकोबडा' इति ख्यातः । विमलान्यकलुषाणि । दर्शदर्शम् ।

हस्तसंज्ञया समाहूतो निजतेजोनिर्मितपुरुहूतो राजवाहनः कृशोदर्या
अनन्तिसुन्दर्या अन्तिकं समाजगाम । या वसन्तसहायेन समुत्सुक-
तया रतेः केलीशालभञ्जिकाविधित्सया कंचन नारीविशेषं विर-
च्यात्मनः क्रीडाकासारशारदारविन्दसौन्दर्येण पादद्वयम्, उद्यान-
वनदीर्घकामत्तमरालिकागमनरीत्या लीलालसगतिविलासम्, तूणीर-
लावण्येन जङ्घे, लीलामन्दिरद्वारकदलीलालित्येन मनोज्ञमू-
र्युगम्, जैत्ररथचक्रचातुर्येण घनं जघनम्, किञ्चिद्विकसलीलावतंस-
कङ्कारकोरककोटरानुवृत्त्या गङ्गावर्तसनाभिं नाभिम्, सौधारोहण-
परिपाट्या वटित्रयम्, मौर्वीमधुकरपङ्क्तिनीलिमलीलया रोमावलिम्,
पूर्णसुवर्णकलशशोभया कुचद्वन्द्वम्, लतामण्डपसौकुमार्येण बाहु,
जयशङ्खाभिरुयया कण्ठम्, कमनीयकर्णपूरसहकारपल्लवरागेण
प्रतिबिम्बीकृतबिम्बं रदनच्छदम्, बाणायमानपुष्पलावण्येन शुचि-
स्मितम्, अग्रदूतिकाकलकण्ठिकाकलालापमाधुर्येण वचनजातम्,
सकलसैनिकनायकमलयमारुतसौरभ्येण निःश्वासपवनम्, जयध्वजमीन-
दर्पेण लोचनयुगलम्, चापयष्टिश्रिया भ्रूछते, प्रथमसुहृदः सुधा-

वारंवारं हृष्टैर्यथैः । १. णमुल । निजतेजसा स्वानुभावेन निःशेषं जितः पुरुहूत इन्द्रो
येन । कृशमुदरं यस्याः । येति । वसन्तसहायेन कामेन । रतेः कामपत्न्याः केली-
शालभञ्जिका क्रीडार्थं निर्मिता पुत्रिका । विधातुं कर्तुमिच्छा विधित्सा तया । 'सनि
मीमाधुरभलम्-' इत्यत्र इत्यभ्यासलोपश्च । शारदं शरत्संबन्धि । दीर्घिका वापी । मरा-
लिका हंसी । लीलया अलसा जडा गतिः । तूणीरो निषङ्गः । लालित्येन सौन्दर्येण ।
किञ्चिद्विकसन् यः लीलावतंसभूतः कङ्कारकोरकस्तस्य कोटरं मध्यभागः तस्य अनुकृतिः
सादृश्यं तथा । सौधः सुधानिर्मितं शिरोगृहं प्रासादतलं वा । परिपाट्यनुक्रमः ।
सोपानपङ्क्तिरित्यर्थः । वलीनामुदरस्थानां त्रयम् । मौर्वी ज्या । नीलिमा नील-
त्वम् । रोमावलिं रोमपङ्क्तिम् । पूर्णाः जलेनेति शेषः । सुवर्णकलशा अमङ्गद्वार-
मङ्गलसूचकाः । अभिरुयया शोभा । कमनीयः सुन्दरः कर्णपूरः कर्णभूषणभूतः यः
सहकारपल्लवस्तस्य रागेण । प्रतिबिम्बीकृतं बिम्बं येनैतादृशः । बिम्बफलमधर-
निर्माणालप्राक् बिम्बमासीत् । अधुना तु प्रतिबिम्बं जातम् । बिम्बफलादप्यस्या
अधरोष्ठेऽधिको राग इति तात्पर्यम् । रदनच्छदमोष्ठम् । बाणवदाचरति तत् ।
अग्रदूतिका या कलकण्ठिका कोकिला तस्या यः कल आलापस्तस्य माधुर्येण । जातं
समूहः । सुरभेर्भावः सौरभ्यम् । सुधाकरध्वन्ः । अपनीतः कलङ्कोऽङ्को यस्यास्तया ।

करस्यापनीतकलङ्कया कान्त्या वदनम्, लीलामयूरबर्हभङ्गया केश-
पाशं च विधाय समस्तमकरन्दकस्तूरिकासंमितेन मलयजरसेन
प्रक्षाल्य कर्पूरपरागेण समृज्य निर्मितेव रराज । सा मूर्तिमतीव
लक्ष्मीमालवेशकन्यका स्वेनैवाराध्यमानं संकल्पितवरप्रदानायाविभूतं
मूर्तिमन्तं मन्मथमिव तमालोक्य मन्दमारुतान्दोलिता लतेव मदनावेश-
वती चकम्पे । तदनु क्रीडाविश्रम्भानिवृत्ता लज्जया कानि कान्यपि
भावान्तराणि व्यधत् । ‘ललनाजनं सृजता विधात्रा नूनमेषा घृणाक्षर-
न्यायेन निर्मिता । नो चेदब्जभूरेवंविधनिर्माणनिपुणो यदि स्यात्तर्हि
तत्समानलावण्यामन्यां तरुणीं किं न करोति ’ इति सविस्मयानु-
रागं विलोकयतस्तस्य समक्षं स्थातुं लज्जिता सती किञ्चित्सखीजना-
न्तरितगात्रा तन्नयनाभिमुखैः किञ्चिदाकुञ्चितै रेचितंभ्रूलतैरपाङ्गवीक्षितै-
रात्मनः कुरङ्गस्यानायमानलावण्यं राजवाहनं विलोकयन्त्यतिष्ठत् ।
सोऽपि तस्यास्तदोत्पादितभावरसानां सामग्र्या लब्धबलम्येव विषम-
शरस्य शरव्यायमाणमानसो बभूव । सा मनसीत्यमचिन्तयत्-‘ अनन्य-
माधारणसौन्दर्येणानेन कस्यां पुरि भाग्यवतीनां तरुणीनां लोचनो-
त्सवः क्रियते । पुत्ररत्नेनामुना पुंरुंध्रीणां पुत्रवतीनां सीमन्तिनीनां
का नाम सीमन्तमौक्तिकीक्रियते । काऽस्य देवी । किमत्रागमनकारण-

बर्हं पिच्छम् । भङ्गी रचना । पाशं कलापम् । ‘ पाशः पक्षश्च हस्तश्च कलापार्थः
कचात्परे ’ इत्यमरः । समस्तः सर्वः एककृतो वा । संमितेन युक्तेन । मलये जातं
मलयजं चन्दनम् । परागो धूलिः । मूर्तिमती साक्षात् । संकल्पितस्य मनसि चि-
न्तितस्य वरस्य प्रदानाय । आविभूतमागतम् । मन्मथः कामः । विश्रम्भो विश्वासः ।
यथा घृणमङ्गः कीटः काष्ठं विध्यन्नक्षराकृतिं निर्मातुं यदृच्छया कदाऽपि प्रभवति
तथा । काकतालीयन्यायेनेत्यर्थः । नोचेद्यद्येवं न स्यात्तर्हि । अब्रजभूद्ब्रह्मा ।
अन्तरितान्यावृत्तानि । रेचिता तिर्यग्विवर्तिता । कुरङ्गो मृगः । आनायो जाले स
द्वाचरत् लावण्यं यस्य । विषमाः पञ्च कठिनास्तीव्रा वा शरा यस्य । कामस्ये-
त्यर्थः । शरव्यं लक्ष्यम् । पुंरुंध्रीणां पतिपुत्रवतीनाम् । सीमन्तिनी नारी । सीमन्तः
केशवेशः तत्र मौक्तिकं तत्क्रियते । का पुत्रवतीनां धुरि तिष्ठतीति तात्पर्यार्थः ।

मस्य । मन्मथो मामपहसितनिजलावण्यमेनं विलोकयन्तीमसूययेवा-
 तिमात्रं मथ्नन्निजनाम सान्वयं करोति । किं करोमि । कथमयं ज्ञात-
 व्यः ' इति । ततो बालचन्द्रिका तयोरेन्तरङ्गवृत्तिं भावविवेकैर्ज्ञात्वा
 कान्तासमाजसंनिधौ राजनन्दनोदन्तस्य सम्यगारुख्यानमनुचितमिति
 लोकसाधारणैर्वाक्यैरभाषत—' भर्तृदारिके अयं सकलकलाप्रवीणो
 देवतासान्निध्यकरण आहवनिपुणो भूसुरकुमारो मणिमन्त्रौषधिज्ञः
 परिचर्यार्हो भवत्या पूज्यताम् ' इति । तदाकर्ण्य निजमनोरथमनुवदन्त्या
 बालचन्द्रिकया संतुष्टान्तरङ्गा तरङ्गावली मन्दानिलेनेव संकल्पजेनाकुली-
 कृता राजकन्या जितमारं कुमारं समुचितासनासीनं विधाय सखी-
 हस्तेन शस्तेन गन्धकुसुमाक्षतघनसारताम्बूलादिनानाजातिवस्तुनिचयेन
 पूजां तस्मै कारयामास । राजवाहनोऽप्येवमचिन्तयत्—'नूनमेषा पूर्व-
 जन्मनि मे जाया यज्ञवती । नो चेदेतस्यामेवंविधोऽनुरागो मन्मनसि न
 जायेत । शापावसानसमये तपोनिधिदत्तं जातिस्मरत्वभावयोः समानमेव ।
 तथाऽपि कालजनितविशेषसूचकवाक्यैरस्या ज्ञानमुत्पादयिष्यामि ।'
 तस्मिन्नेव समये कोऽपि मनोरमो राजहंसः केलीविधित्सया तदुप-
 कण्ठमगमत् । समुत्सुकया राजकन्यया मरालग्रहणे नियुक्तां बाल-
 चन्द्रिकामवलोक्य ' समुचितो वाक्यावसर एषः ' इति संभाषणानिपुणो
 राजवाहनः सलीलमलपत्—' सखि पुरा शाम्बो नाम कश्चिन्महीवल्लभो
 मनोवल्लभया सह विहारवाञ्छया कमलाकरमवाप्य तत्र कोकनद-
 कदम्बसमीपे निद्राधीनमानसं राजहंसं शनैर्गृहीत्वा बिसगुणेन तस्य
 चरणयुगलं निगडयित्वा कान्तामुखं सानुरागं विलोकयन्मन्दस्मित-
 विकसितैककपोलमण्डलस्तामभाषत—' इन्दुमुखि मया बद्धो मरालः

असूययाऽक्षमया । सान्वयमन्वर्थम् । मननं मत् संज्ञा । मथतीति मथः । मतो मथः मन्मथः
 इति व्युत्पत्त्येति भावः । अन्तरङ्गवृत्तिं मनोवृत्तिम् । भावो मानसो विकारः । सान्निध्य-
 करणो देवतासाक्षात्कारवान् । आहवो युद्धम् । अनुवदन्त्या सदृशं वदन्त्या । संक-
 ल्पजः कामः । नाना जातयो येषां तानि नानाजातीनि ताम्बूलादीनि वस्तूनि
 येषां निचयेन समूहेन । जातिस्मरत्वं पूर्वजातिस्मरणम् । विधित्सा कर्तुमिच्छा । मरालो
 हंसः । महीवल्लभो राजा । कमलाकरः सरः । कोकनदं रक्तोत्पलम् । बिसानां मृणाल-

शान्तो मुनिवदास्ते । स्वेच्छयाऽनेन गम्यताम् ' इति । सोऽपि राज-
हंसः शाम्बमशपत्—' महीपाल यदस्मिन्नम्बुजखण्डेऽनुष्ठानपरायण-
तया परमानन्देन तिष्ठन्तं नैष्ठिकं मामकारणं राज्यगर्वेणावमानितवा-
नसि तदेतत्पाप्मना रमणीविरहसंतापमनुभव ' इति । विषण्णवदनः
शाम्बो जीवितेश्वरीविरहमसहिष्णुर्भूमौ दण्डवत्प्रणम्य सविनयम-
भाषत—' महाभाग यदज्ञानेनाकरवं तत्क्षमस्व ' इति । स तापसः
करुणाकृष्टचेतास्तमवदत्—' राजन् इह जन्मनि भवतः शापफलाभुवो
भवतु । मद्रचनस्यामोघतया भाविनि जनने शरीरान्तरं गताया
अस्याः सरसिजाक्ष्या रसेन रमणो भूत्वा मुहूर्तद्वयं मध्वरणयुगलबन्धन-
कारितया मासद्वयं शृङ्खलानिगडितचरणो रमणीवियोगविषादमनुभूय
पश्चादनेककालं वल्लभया सह राज्यसुखं लभस्व ' इति । तदनु जाति-
स्मरत्वमपि तयोरन्वगृह्णात् । तस्मान्मरालबन्धनं न करणीयं त्वया ' इति ।
साऽपि भर्तृदारिका तद्रचनाकर्णनाभिज्ञातस्वपुरातनजननवृत्तान्ता
' नूनमयं मत्प्राणवल्लभः ' इति मनसि जानती रागपल्लवितमानमा सैमन्द-
हासमवोचत्—' सौम्य पुरा शाम्बो यज्ञवतीसंदेशपरिपालनाय तथाविधं
हंसबन्धनमकार्षात् । तथा हि लोके पण्डिता अपि दाक्षिण्येनाकार्थं
कुर्वन्ति ' इति । कन्याकुमारावेवमन्योन्यपुरातनजननानामधेये परिचिते
परस्परज्ञानाय साभिज्ञमुक्त्वा मनोजरागपूर्णमानसौ बभूवतुः ।

तस्मिन्नवसरे मालवेन्द्रमहिषी परिजनपरिवृता दुहितृकेलीविलोक-
नाय तं देशमवाप । बालचन्द्रिका तु तां दूरतो विलोक्य ससंभ्रमं
रहस्यनिर्भेदमिया हस्तसंज्ञया पुष्पोद्भवसेव्यमानं राजवाहनं वृक्ष-
वाटिकान्तरितगात्रमकरोत् । सा मानसारमहिषी सखीसमेताया

नन्तूनां गुणो रज्जुः । तन्निर्मित इत्यर्थः । खण्डे समुदाये । नैष्ठिकं ब्रह्मचारिणम् ।
पाप्मना पापेन । इहंति । मम शापो न त्वां बाधेत्त्यर्थः । अमोघतया अनि-
फलतया । जनने जन्मनि । रसेनानुरागेण । निगडितौ बद्धौ । रागपल्लवितमुद्भूत-
प्रेमपूर्णमित्यर्थः । दाक्षिण्यं चेष्टया वाचा परच्छन्दानुवर्तनम् ' इति । साभिज्ञं
सुप्रत्यभिज्ञम् । परस्परप्रत्ययो यथा स्यात्तथेत्यर्थः । तस्मिन्निति । महिषी पद्माभिषिक्ता ।
रहस्यं भिद्येदिति मिया । वाटिका गृहोद्यानम् । ' वाटी वास्तौ गृहोद्यानकट्योः '

दुहितुर्नानाविधां विहारलीलामनुभवन्ती क्षणं स्थित्वा दुहित्रा समेता निजागारगमनायोद्युक्ता बभूव । मातरमनुगच्छन्त्यवन्तिसुन्दरी ' राजहंस-कुलतिलक विहारवाञ्छया केलीवने मदन्तिकमागतं भवन्तमकाण्ड एव विसृज्य मया समुचितमिति जनन्यनुगमनं क्रियते । तदनेन भवन्मनो-रौगोऽन्यथा मा भूत् ' इति मरालमित्र कुमारमुद्दिश्य समुचितालाप-कलापं वदन्ती पुनः पुनः परिवृत्तदीननयना वदनं विलोकयन्ती निज-मब्धिरमगात् । तत्र हृदयवल्भकथाप्रसङ्गे बालचन्द्रिकाकथिततदन्वयनाम-धेया मन्मथबाणपतनव्याकुलमानसा विरहवेदनया दिने दिने बहुलपक्षशशि-कलेष क्षामक्षामाऽऽहारादिसकलव्यापारं परिहृत्य रहस्यमन्दिरे मलयजरस-क्षालितपल्लवकुसुमकल्पिततल्पतलावर्तितनुलता बभूव । तत्र तथाविधाव-स्थामनुभवन्ती मन्मथानलसंतप्तां सुकुमारीं कुमारीं निरीक्ष्य खिन्नो वयस्या-गणः काञ्चनकलशसंचितानि हरिचन्दनोशीरघनसारमिलितानि तद-भिषेककल्पितानि सलिलानि बिसतन्तुमयानि वासांसि च नलिनीदल-मयानि तालवृन्तानि च संतापहरणानि बहूनि संपाद्य तस्याः शरीरमशिशि-रयत् । तदपि शीतलोपचरणं सलिलमिव तप्तैले तदङ्गे दहनमेव सम-न्तादाविश्वकार । किंकर्तव्यतामूढां विषण्णां बालचन्द्रिकामीषदुन्मीलितेन कटाक्षवीक्षितेन बाष्पकणाकुलेन विलोक्य विरहानलोष्णानिःश्वास-प्लपिताधरया नताङ्गया शनैः सगद्गदं व्यलापि—' प्रियसखि कामः कुसुमायुधः पञ्चबाण इति नूनमसत्यमुच्यते । इयमहमयोमयैरसंख्यै-रिषुभिरनेन हन्ये । सखि चन्द्रमसं वाडवानलादतितापकरं मन्ये ।

इति हैमः । राजहंसस्य पक्षिविशेषस्य कुले तिलक इव भूषणभूतः । पक्षे राजहंसस्यैतन्नाम्नो राज्ञः कुले तिलकः । अकाण्डे सहसा । आलापकलापं वचनजातम् । बहुलपक्षः कृष्णपक्षः । क्षामक्षामाऽतिकृशा । मलयजं चन्दनं तस्य रसेन क्षालिताः पल्लवाः ते च कुसुमानि च तैः कल्पितं तल्पं शय्या तस्य तले आवर्तिनी तमुलता यस्याः । उशीरो नलदः । 'वाळा' इति ख्यातः । घनसारः कर्पूरः । अभिषेकः स्नानम् । तालवृन्तानि व्यजनानि । वयस्यागणोऽशिशिरयदिति संबन्धः । शीतलोपचरणं शिशिरोपचारकल्पना । दहनमग्निम् । अयोमयैर्लोह-निर्मितैः । वाडवानलात्सागरान्तर्गताद्ब्रह्मे । पारावारः समुद्रः । तदैव तस्मिन्नेव

यदास्मिन्नन्तः प्रविशति शुष्यति पारावारः । सति निर्गते तदैव वर्धते ।
 दोषाकरस्य दुष्कर्म किं वर्धते मया । यदनेन निजसहोदर्याः पद्मा-
 लयाया गेहभूतमपि कमलं विहन्यते । विरहानलसतसहृदयस्पर्शेन
 नूनमुष्णीकृतः स्वल्पीभवति मलयानिलः । नवपल्लवकल्पितं तरु-
 मिदमनङ्गमिशिखापटलमिव संतापं तनोस्तनोति । हरिचन्दनमपि
 पुरा निजयष्टिसंश्लेषवदुरगरदनलिसौख्यणगरलसंकलितमिव तापयति
 शरीरम् । तस्मादलमलमायासेन शीतलोपचारे । लावण्यजितमारो राज-
 कुमार एवागदंकारो मन्मथज्वरापहरणे । सोऽपि लब्धुमश्वयो
 मया । किं करोमि' इति । बालचन्द्रिका मनोजज्वरावस्थापरमकाष्ठां
 गतां कोमलङ्गीं तां राजवाहनलावण्याधीनमानसार्मनन्यशरणामवे-
 क्ष्यात्मन्यचिन्तयत्—' कुमारः सत्वरमानेतव्यो मया । नो चेदेनां
 स्मरणीयां गतिं नेष्यति मीनकेतनः । तत्रेद्याने कुमारयोरन्योन्या-
 वलोकनवेलायामसमसायकः समं मुक्तसायकोऽभूत् । तस्मात्कुमारान-
 यनं सुकरम् ' । ततोऽवन्तिसुन्दरीरक्षणाय समयोचितकरणीयचतुरं
 सखीगणं नियुज्य राजकुमारमन्दिरमवाप । पुष्पाणानाणतूणीरायमान-
 मानसोऽनङ्गतसावयवसंपर्कपरिम्लानपल्लवशयनमधिष्ठितो राजवाहनः
 प्राणेश्वरीमुद्दिश्य सह पुष्पोद्भवेन संलपन्नागतां प्रियवयस्यामालोक्य
 पौदमूलम्, अन्वेषणीया लतेव बालचन्द्रिकाऽऽगतेति संतुष्टमना निटिल-
 तटमण्डनीभवदम्बुजकोरकाकृतिलसदञ्जलिपुटम् ' इतो निषीद ' इति

काले । दोषा रात्रिस्तां करोतीति तथा । दोषाणामाकरश्च । सहोदरी भगिनी ।
 पद्मालया लक्ष्मीः । गेहं गृहम् । विरहानलेन संतप्तं च तद्गृहं च तस्य स्पर्शेन ।
 निजयष्टेः निजकाण्डस्य संश्लेषवन्त आश्लेषिणो ये उरगाः पद्मगास्तेषां रदनेषु दन्तेषु
 लिप्तं यदुल्लवणं तीव्रं गरलं तेन संकलितं व्याप्तम् । न विद्यते गदः अस्य असौ
 अगदः । अगदमरोगं जन्तुं करोतीति अगदंकारो भिषक् । ' कोरे सत्यागदस्य '
 इति मुम् । स्मरणीयां गतिं नेष्यति कथीकृतवपुषं करिष्यति । कुमारः कुमारी च
 कुमारौ तयोः । असमसायको मदनः । सममेककाले । मुक्तसायकोऽभूद्भेधमकरोत् ।
 समयस्योचितानि समयोचितानि च तानि करणीयानि च तत्र चतुरम् । अनङ्गे-
 ति । अनङ्गेन कामेन तप्ता ये अवयवास्तैः संपर्केन परिम्लानाः पल्लवा यस्य तादृक्
 शयनम् । पादपुल्लमागतामित्यन्वयः । अन्वेषणीया, महौषधत्वादन्वेषणार्हा । निटि-
 लोति । निटिलतटे ललाटदेशे मण्डनीभवन् अम्बुजकोरकस्य इव आकृत्येत्यस्य सः
 अम्बुजकोरकाकृतिः लसन् यद्वा ० कृतिरिव लसन् शोभमानः अञ्जलिपुटो यस्यास्ताम् ।

निर्दिष्टसमुचितासनासीनामवन्तिसुन्दरीप्रेषितं सकर्पूरं ताम्बूलं विनयेन ददतीं तां कान्तावृत्तान्तमपृच्छत् । तया सविनयममाणि—‘ देव क्रीडावने भवदवलोकनकालमारभ्य मन्मथमध्यमाना पुष्पतल्पादिषु तापशमनमलभमाना वामनेनेवोन्नततरुफलमलभ्यं त्वदुरःस्थलालिङ्गन-सौख्यं स्मरान्वतया लिप्सुः सा स्वयमेव पत्रिकामालिख्य ‘ वल्लभायै-नामर्पय ’ इति मां नियुक्तवती ’ । राजकुमारः पत्रिकां तामादाय पपाठ—

‘ सुभग कुसुमसुकुमारं जगदनवद्यं विलोक्य ते रूपम् ।

मम मानसमभिलषति त्वं चित्तं कुरु तथा मृदुलम् ’ ॥

इति पठित्वा सादरमभाषत—‘ सखि छायावन्मामनुवर्तमानस्य पुष्पोद्भवस्य वल्लभा त्वमेव तस्या मृगीदृशो बहिश्चराः प्राणा इव वर्तन्ते । त्वच्चातुर्यमस्यां क्रियालतायामालवालमभूत् । तदग्विलं करि-प्यामि । नताङ्ग्या मन्मनःकाठिन्यमाख्यातम् । यदा केलीवने कुरङ्गलोचना लोचनपथमेवर्तत तदैवापहतमदीयमानसा सा स्वमन्दिर-मगात् । मा चेतसो माधुर्यकाठिन्ये स्वयमेव जानाति । दुष्करः कन्यान्तःपुरप्रवेशः । तदनु रूपमुपायमुपपाद्य श्वः परश्चो वा नताङ्गी संगमिष्यामि । मदुदन्तमेवमाख्याय शिरीषकुसुमसुकुमाराया यथा शरीरबाधा न जायेत तथाविधमुपायमाचर ’ इति । बाल-चन्द्रिकाऽपि तस्य प्रेमगर्भितं वचनमाकर्ण्य संतुष्टा कन्यापुरमग-च्छत् । राजवाहनोऽपि यत्र हृदयवल्लभावलोकनसुखमलभत तदु-द्यानं विरहविनोदाय पुष्पोद्भवसमन्वितो जगाम । तत्र चकोर-

वामनो ह्रस्वाकृतिर्नरः । उन्नत उच्चः । लिप्सुर्लब्धुमिच्छति तथा । सुभगेति । सुभग मुन्दरेति कोमलामन्त्रणे । कुसुममिव सुकुमारं पेलवम् । जगति अनवद्यं नि-र्दोषम् । यथा तव वपुः कोमलं न तथा तव चित्तमिति तद्विषया प्रार्थना । अत एवात्र उक्तम्—‘ नताङ्ग्या मन्मनःकाठिन्यमाख्यातम् ’ इति । बहिश्चरन्ति ते । त्वं तस्याः प्राणतुल्या । ते प्राणा अन्तर्निवसन्ति त्वद्वा बहिश्चरन्तीत्येव भेदः । किथैव लता तस्याम् । आलवालमावालम् । ‘ अल्ले ’ इति भाषाश्राम् । तस्या अनुरागवर्धनमिति भावः । लोचनपथमेवर्तत दृष्टेःत्यर्थः । अनुरूपं योग्यम् । उपपाद्य संपाद्य । य आगामिति दिवसे । परश्चस्ततः परस्मिन्दिवसे । प्रेम-गर्भितं प्रेमयुक्तेम् । चकोरस्येव लोचने यस्याः सा चकोरलोचना । तथा

१ कान्तवृत्तान्तम् । २ त्वच्चित्तं । ३ यत्तन्नामीदृशं येन क्रियामनोरथः फलिष्यति तदग्विलम् । ४ रन्तु-गन्तु-मन्तु कुरङ्गः ; अन्यथा । ५ अभ्यवर्तत ।

लोचनावचितपल्लवकुसुमनिकुरम्बं महीरुहसमूहं शरदिन्दुमुख्या मन्मथ-
समाराधनस्थानं च नताङ्गीपदपङ्क्तिचिह्नितं शीतलसैकततलं च सुदती-
भुक्तमुक्तं माधवीलतामण्डपान्तरपल्लवतल्पं च विलोकयँल्ललनातिलक-
विलोकनवेलाजनितशेषाणि स्मारंस्मारं मन्दमारुतकम्पितानि नवचूत-
पल्लवानि मदनाग्निशिखा इव चक्रितो दर्शदर्श मनोजकर्णेजपानामिव
कोकिलकीरमधुकराणां कणितानि श्रावंश्रावं मारविकारेण क्वचिदप्यव-
स्थातुमसहिष्णुः परिवभ्राम ।

तस्मिन्नवसरे धरणीसुर एकः सूक्ष्मचित्रनिवसनः स्फुरन्मणिकुण्डल
मण्डितो मुण्डितमस्तकमानवसमेतश्चतुरवेपमनोरमो यदृच्छया समागतः
समन्ततोऽभ्युल्लसत्तेजोमण्डलं राजवाहनमाशीर्वादपूर्वकं ददर्श । राजा
सादरम् ' को भवान् कस्यां विद्यायां निपुणः ' इति तं पप्रच्छ । स
च ' विद्येश्वरनामधेयोऽहमैन्द्रजालिकविद्याकोविदो विविधदेशेषु राजमनो-
रञ्जनाय भ्रमन्नुज्जयिनीमद्यागतोऽस्मि ' इति शशंस । पुनरपि राजवाहनं
सम्यगालोक्य ' अस्यां लीलावनौ पाण्डुरतानिमित्तं किम् ' इति साभि-
प्रायं विहस्यापृच्छत् । पुष्पोद्भवश्च निजकार्यकरणं तर्कयन्नेनमादरेण
ब्रूमापे— ' ननु सतां सख्यस्याभाषणपूर्वतयाऽचिरं रुचिरभाषणो भवान-
स्माकं प्रियवयस्यो जातः । सुहृदामकथ्यं च किमस्ति । केली-
वनेऽस्मिन्वसन्तमहोत्सवायागनाया मालवेन्द्रसुताया राजनन्दन-

अवचितं पल्लवकुसुमानां निकुरम्बं समूहः यस्य । शरद इन्दुः शरदिन्दु-
स्तद्वन्मुखं यस्यास्तस्याः । शोभना दन्ता यस्याः सा सुदती तथा आदौ भुक्तं
पश्चान्मुक्तम् । ललनातिलकशब्देन सैव गृह्यते । जनितानि यानि शेषाणि स्मरणी-
यानि । स्मारंस्मारं स्मृत्वा । दर्शदर्श दृष्ट्वा दृष्ट्वा । कर्णेजपः सूचकः । ' तत्सुखे कृति
बहुलम् ' इत्यनेन सप्तम्या अलुक् । तस्मिन्निति । सूक्ष्मं चित्रं च निवसनं
वासो यस्य । स्फुरद्भ्यां मार्गेनिर्मिताभ्यां कुण्डलाभ्यां कर्णभूषणाभ्यां मण्डितः
शोभितः । मुण्डितं मस्तकं येषामेतादृशैर्मानवैः समेतो युक्तः । यदृच्छया अकस्मात् ।
अभ्युल्लसत्तेजसो मण्डलं यस्य तम् । ऐन्द्रजालिकविद्या गारुडम् । लीलायाः क्रीडाया
अवनिर्भूमिः । आभाषणं पूर्वं यस्मिन्स्तत्तस्य भावस्तथा । अकथ्यं कथनायोग्यम् ।

स्यास्य चाकस्मिकदर्शनेऽन्योन्यानुरागातिरेकः समजायत । सततसंभोग-
सिद्ध्युपायाभावेनासावीदशीमवस्थामनुभवति ' इति । विद्येश्वरो लज्जाभि-
रामं राजकुमारमुखमभिवीक्ष्य विरचितमन्दहासो व्याजहार—' देव
भवदनुवरे मयि तिष्ठति तव कार्यमसाध्यं किमस्ति । अहमिन्द्रजाल-
विद्यया मालवेन्द्रं मोहयन्पौरजनसमक्षमेव तत्तनयापरिणयं रचयित्वा
कन्यान्तःपुरप्रवेशं कारयिष्यामीति वृत्तान्त एष राजकन्यकायै सखी-
मुखेन पूर्वमेव कथयितव्यः ' इति । संतुष्टमना महीपतिरनिमित्तं मित्रं
प्रकटीकृतकृत्रिमक्रियापाटवं विप्रलम्भकृत्रिमप्रेमसहजसौहार्दवेदिनं तं
विद्येश्वरं सवहुमानं पिससर्ज ।

अथ राजवाहतो विद्येश्वरस्य क्रियापाटवेन फलितमिव मनोरथं
मन्यमानः पुष्पोद्भवेन सह स्वगन्दिरमुपेत्य सादरं बालचन्द्रिकामुखेन
निजवल्लभायै महीसुरक्रियमाणं संगमोपायं वेदयित्वा कौतुकाकृष्टहृदयः
' कथमिमां क्षपां क्षपयामि ' इत्यतिष्ठत् । परेद्युः प्रभाते विद्येश्वरो रस-
भावरीतिगतेचतुरस्तादृशेन महता निजपरिजनेन सह राजभवनद्वारा-
न्तिकमुपेत्य दौवारिकनिवेदितनिजवृत्तान्तः सहसोपगम्य सप्रणामश्च
' ऐन्द्रजालिकः समागतः ' इति द्वाःस्थैर्विज्ञापितेन तद्दर्शनकुतूहला-
विष्टेन समुत्सुकावरोधसहितेन मालवेन्द्रेण समाहूयमानो विद्येश्वरः
कक्षान्तरं प्रविश्य सविनयमाशिषं दत्त्वा तदनुज्ञातः परिजनताड्य-
मानेषु बाद्येषु नदत्सु, गायकीषु मदकलकोकिलामञ्जुलध्वनिषु

सततो नित्यः । नित्यसंभोगसिद्धिर्यथा भवेत्तथोपायं न लभत इत्यर्थः । लज्जयाऽभिरामं
सुन्दरम् । आनमित्तं निष्कारणम् । प्रकटीकृतं दर्शितं कृत्रिमक्रियायामिन्द्रजालविद्यायां
पाटवं कुशलत्वं येन तम् । विप्रलम्भं च कृत्रिमप्रेमं च सहजसौहार्दं च वेत्तीति
तथा । अर्थेति । क्षपां रात्रिम् । क्षपयामि नयामि । ' क्षे क्षये ' इति धातुः ।
णिजन्तम् । ' आदेच उपदेशे— ' इत्यात्वम् । ' अतिही— ' इत्यादिना पुगागमः ।
मित्वाद्भस्वः । परेद्युरन्येद्युः । रसाः शृङ्गारादयः । भावाऽभिप्रायसूचनम् ।
रीतिगतयः इन्द्रजालविद्यान्तर्गताः । दौवारिको द्वाःस्थः । अवरोधः शुद्धान्तः ।
राजस्त्रिय इत्यर्थः । कक्षन्तरमन्यां कक्षाम् । गायक्यो गानकर्त्यः स्त्रियः ।
मदेन कलोऽव्यक्तमधुरस्वनो यः कोकिलस्तद्वन्मञ्जुलो ध्वनिर्योसां तासु । सामा-

समधिकरागरञ्जितमामाजिकमनोवृत्तिषु, पिच्छिकाभ्रमणेषु स परिवारं
परिवृतं भ्रामयन्मुकुलितनयनः क्षणमतिष्ठत् । तदनु विषमं विधमुल्बण
वमन्तः फणालकरणा रत्नराजिनीराजितराजमन्दिराभोगा भोगिनो
भयं जनयन्तो निश्चरुः । गृध्राश्च बहवस्तुण्डैरहिपतीनादाय दिवि
समचरन् । ततोऽग्रजन्मा नरसिंहस्य हिरण्यकाशिपादैत्येश्वरस्य विदारण-
मभिनीय महदाश्चर्यान्वितं राजानमभाषत—‘ राजन् अवसानसमये
भवता शुभसूचकं द्रष्टुमुचितम् । ततः कल्याणपरंपरावाप्तये
भवदात्मजाकारायास्तरुण्या निखिललक्षणोपेतस्य राजनन्दनस्य
[च] विवाहः कार्यः ’ इति । तदवलोकनकुतूहलेन महीपाले-
नानुज्ञातः स संकल्पितार्थसिद्धिसंभावनसंफुल्लवदनः सकलमोहजनक-
मञ्जनं लोचनयोर्निक्षिप्य परितो व्यलोकयत् । सर्वेषु ‘ तदैन्द्र-
जालिकमेव कर्म ’ इति साद्भुतं पश्यत्सु रागपल्लवितहृदयेन राज-
वाहनेन पूर्वसंकेतसमागतामनेकभूषणभूषिताङ्गीमवन्तिमुन्दरीं वैवाहिक-
मन्त्रतन्त्रनैपुण्येनाग्निं साक्षाकृत्य संयोजयामास । क्रियावसाने
सति ‘ इन्द्रजालपुरुषाः, सर्वे गच्छन्तु भवन्तः ’ इति द्वि-
जन्मनोच्चैरुच्यमाने सर्वे मायामानवा यथायथमन्तर्भावं गताः ।
राजवाहनोऽपि पूर्वसंकल्पितेन गूढोपायचार्तुर्थेणैन्द्रजालिकपुरुषवत्क-
न्यान्तःपुरं विवेश । मालवेन्द्रोऽपि तदद्भुतं मन्यमानस्तस्मै बाडवाय

जिकाः सन्ध्याः प्रेक्षकजनाः । पिच्छिकाः पिच्छगुच्छाः । ऐन्द्रजालिकानामुपकरण-
भूता एताः । परिवृतं मण्डलाकारम् । ‘ पस्त्रिडम् ’ इति पाठे बह्वनेकविधं वेत्यर्थः ।
मुकुलिते पङ्क्तिरेषदुन्मीलिते वा । उल्बणं तीव्रम् । रत्नानां शिरःस्थितानामित्यर्थः ।
राजयः पङ्क्त्यस्ताभिनीराजितो राजमन्दिरप्रदेशो यैस्ते । भोगिनः सर्पाः । तुण्डैर्मुखैः ।
अहिपतीन्भोगाग्रेष्ठान् । विदारणं नखैः पाटनम् । अभिनीय दर्शयित्वा । भूमिकादि-
ग्रहणेनेत्यर्थः । महदाश्चर्यान्वितमिति प्रामादिकम् । कल्याणानां परंपरा तस्या अवा-
सितस्थैः । निखिलानि सर्वाणि । संकल्पितस्यार्थस्य सिद्धेः संभावनं संभवस्तेन
संफुल्लं वदनं यय सः । इन्द्रजालस्यैन्द्रजालिकम् । साद्भुतमिति क्रियाविशेषणम् ।
वैवाहिका विवाहसम्बन्धिनः । तन्त्राणि नानाविधदेवतोपासनामार्गप्रतिपादका ग्रन्थ-
विशेषाः । ० वमानमन्तः । इन्द्रजालपुरुषा मायापुरुषाः । अन्तर्भावमदर्शनम् ।

प्रचुरतरं धनं इत्त्वा विद्येश्वरम् 'इदानीं साधय' इति विसृज्य स्वय-
मन्तर्भण्डिरं जगाम । ततोऽवन्तिसुन्दरी प्रियसहचरीवरपरिवारा
वल्लभोपेता सुन्दरं मन्दिरं ययौ । एवं दैवमानुषबलेन मनोरथसाफल्य-
मुपेतो राजवाहनः सरसमधुरचेष्टाभिः शनैः शनैर्हरिणलोचनाया लज्जा-
मपनयन्सुरतरागमुपनयत्रहो विश्रम्भमुपजनयन्संलपे तदनुलापपीयूष
पानलोलश्चित्रचित्रं चित्तहारिणं चतुर्दशभुवनवृत्तान्तं श्रावयामास ।

इति श्रीदण्डिनः कृतौ दशकुमारचरितेऽवन्तिसुन्दरीपरिणयो नाम पञ्चम उच्छ्वासः ।

समाप्तेयं दशकुमारचरितपूर्वपीठिका ।

दशकुमारचरितम् ।

प्रथमाच्छ्वासः ।

श्रुत्वा तु भुवनवृत्तान्तमुत्तमाङ्गना विस्मयविकसिताक्षी सस्मित-
मिदमभाषत—' दयित त्वत्प्रसादादद्य मे चरितार्था श्रोत्र-

वाडवाय ब्राह्मणाय । साधय गच्छ । दैवं च तन्मानुषं च । अनुलापः पुनः पुनर्भा-
षणं स एव पीयूषममृतं तस्य पाने लोलः सतृणः । चित्रचित्रमतिशयन चित्रम् ।
श्रावयामास श्रावयति स्म ।

इति श्रीदशकुमारचरितपूर्वपीठिकाटीकायां
पददीपिकाभिधायां पञ्चम उच्छ्वासः ।

श्रुत्वन्ति । भुवनवृत्तान्तं चतुर्दशभुवनवृत्तान्तम् । 'भुवनस्य जगतो वृत्तान्तं
रुक्मिण्यादिभिः कृष्णस्येन्द्रस्य गुरोः पितामहस्य शकुन्तलादुप्यन्तादीनां च गा-
न्धर्वविवाहकरणाविषयां प्रवृत्तिम् । अनेन गान्धर्वविवाहेन परिणीताना पुण्यवत्त्व-
ज्ञानाद्राजवाहनेन सह गान्धर्वविवाहो मम पुण्यवत्त्वं संदृश्येदिति मतिरभ्यन्ता ।
तेन च तस्मिन् राजवाहनेऽतिरागः । अत एव ' त्रिभुवनसर्गयात्रासंहारमंश्रिताभिः
प्रत्यानयिमानरागपूराम् ' इति वक्ष्यति ' इति भूषणा । उत्तमाङ्गना नायिका
मालेवेन्द्रतनया । विस्मयेन विकसिते अक्षिणां लोचने यस्याः । ' विस्मयोऽद्भुत-
माश्चर्यम् ' इत्यमरः । सस्मितमिति क्रियाविशेषणम् । सहासमित्यर्थः । ' स्यादा-
च्छुरितकं हासः सोत्प्रासः स मनाक स्मितम् ' इत्यमरः । दयितेति ।

वृत्तिः । अद्य मे मनसि तमोपहस्त्वया दत्तो ज्ञानप्रदीपः । पक्वमिदानीं
त्वत्पादपद्मपरिचर्याफलम् । अस्य च त्वत्प्रसादस्य किमुपकृत्य प्रत्युप-
कृतवती भवेयम् । अभवदीयं हि नैव किञ्चिन्मतसंबद्धम् । अथ वा-
ऽस्त्येवास्यापि जनस्य कचित्प्रभुत्वम् । अशक्यं हि मदिच्छया विना
सरस्वतीमुखग्रहणोच्छेषणीकृतो दशनच्छद एष चुम्बयितुम् । अम्बुजा-
सनास्तनतटोपभुक्तमुरःस्थलं चेदमालिङ्गयितुम् ' इति प्रियोरसि प्रावृ-
डिव नभस्युपास्तीर्णगुरुपयोधरमण्डला प्रौढकन्दलीकुड्मलमिव रुढराग-
रूपापंत चक्षुस्त्रासयन्तां बर्हिर्बर्हावलीविडाम्बना कुसुमचन्दकशारण मधु-
करकुलव्याकुलेन केशकलापेन स्फुरदरुणकिरणकेशकरालं कैदम्बमुकुल-
मिव कान्तस्याधरमाणमधोरमाचुचुम्ब । तदारम्भस्फुरितया च राग-
वृत्त्या भूयोऽप्यावर्ततातिमात्रचित्रोपचारशीफरो रतिप्रबन्धः । सुरत-

चरितार्था सफलेत्यर्थः । तमोपहोऽज्ञानहन्ता । ' अभिमतवरलामेऽपि कन्यानामा-
भ्यदाने न प्रभुत्वमित्येवंरूपाज्ञानापहः । ज्ञानप्रदीपः । गान्धर्वादिभिः परिणीतानां
पुण्यश्लोका । पुण्यकृतां न जातु पातकं पीडयतीत्येवंरूपं यज्ज्ञानं तदेव प्रदीप
इत्यर्थः ' इति भूषणा । पक्वं परिणतम् । परिचर्योपासना । किमुपकृत्य
कमुपकारं कृत्वेत्यर्थः । प्रत्युपकृतवती कृतप्रत्युपकारेत्यर्थः । अभवदीयम् ।
न भवदीयमित्यर्थः । ममैव भवदीयत्वादिति भावः । अथ वेति पूर्वापरितोषे ।
अशक्यमिति । मदिच्छया विना । ' पृथग्विना—' इति तृतीया । सरस्वत्या
मुखग्रहणोच्छेषणीकृत उच्छिष्टीकृतः । एषः । भवदीय इत्यर्थः । दशनच्छद ओष्ठः ।
अम्बुजासना लक्ष्मीस्तस्याः स्तनतटोपभुक्तमिदमुरःस्थलम् । त्वदीयमित्यर्थः । ' एतेन
विशेषणद्वयेन दिष्णुरूपवर्णनाद्भावि सार्वभौमत्वं सूचितं ' इति भूषणा । इतीति ।
उक्तेवति शेषः । प्रियोरसि प्रावृडिव नभसि । पयोधरमण्डलं स्तनमण्डलम् । पक्षे
मेघमण्डलम् । ' स्त्रीस्तनाब्दां पयोधरौ ' इत्यमरः । प्रौढा या कन्दला द्रोणपर्णी तस्याः
कुड्मला मुकुलाः । रुषितम् । युक्तमित्यर्थः । वर्ही मयूरः तस्य वर्हाणि
पिच्छानि । विडम्बिना निर्भर्त्सयता । कुसुमान्येव चन्दका मेघकास्तः शारेण विचि-
त्रेण । केशकलापनोपलक्षितेति उपलक्षणे तृतीया । स्फुरन्तोऽरुणा ये किरणास्त एव
केशराणि किञ्चलानि तैः करालमुग्रतम् । तदारम्भेण । चुम्बनारम्भेणेत्यर्थः ।
अतिमात्रम् । ' अतिबलशाल्यर्थातिमात्रोद्देशनिर्भरम् ' इत्यमरः । शीफरो रम्यः ।
' शीफरः स्फीतरम्ययोः ' इत्यजयः । सुरतंति । विरागुज्ज्वल मृणालतन्तुना

खेदसुसयोस्तु तयोः स्वप्ने विसगुणनिगडितपादो जैरठः कश्चिज्जालपादो-
 ऽदृश्यत । प्रत्यबुध्येतां चोभौ । अथ तस्य राजकुमारस्य कमलमूढ-
 शशिकिरणरञ्जुदामनिगृहीतमिव रजतशृङ्खलोपगूढं चरणयुगलमासीत् ।
 उपलभ्यैव च ' किमेतत् ' इत्यतिपरित्रासविह्वला मुक्तकण्ठमाचक्रन्द
 राजकन्या । येन च तत्सकलमेव कन्यान्तःपुरमग्निपरीतमिव पिशाचोपहत-
 मिव वेपमानमनिरूप्यमाणतदात्त्रायतिविभागम्, अगण्यमानरहस्यरक्षा-
 समयम्, अवनितलविप्रविध्यमानगात्रम्, आक्रन्दविदीर्यमाणकण्ठम्, अश्रु-
 स्त्रोतोवगुण्ठितकंपोलतलमाकुलीबभूव । तुमुले चास्मिन्समयेऽनियन्त्रितप्र-
 वेशाः ' किं किम् ' इति सहसोपसृत्य विविशुरन्तर्वेशिकाः पुरुषा ददृशुश्च
 तदवस्थं राजकुमारम् । तदनुभावनिरुद्धनिग्रहेच्छास्तु सद्य एव ते तमर्थं
 चण्डवर्मणे निवेदयांचक्रुः । सोऽपि क्रोपादागत्य निर्दहन्निव दहनगर्भया
 दृशा निशाम्योत्पन्नप्रत्यभिज्ञः ' कथं स एवैष मदनुजमरणनिमित्तभूतायाः
 पापाया बालचन्द्रिकायाः पत्युरत्यभिनिविष्टवित्तदर्पस्य वैदेशिकवणि-
 कपुत्रस्य पुण्ड्रवस्य मित्रं रूपमत्तः कलाभिमानो नैकविधविप्रलम्भोपाय-

निगडितः । ' तदस्य संजातं- ' इतीति च । जालपादो हंसः । जरठग्रहणमशुभसूच-
 कम् । अदृश्यतोति । ताभ्यामित्यर्थादध्याहार्यम् । अथेति । कमलमूढः कमलत्वेन
 भ्रान्तो यः शशी तस्य किरणानां रञ्जुदाम समुदायस्तेन निगृहीतमिव । मुक्तकण्ठमुच्चैः-
 स्वरम् । येन चेति । ' तत्कालस्तु तदात्वं स्यादुत्तरः काल अयतिः ' इत्यमरः ।
 विभागः कृत्यम् । अनिरूप्यमाणस्तदात्वायत्योर्विभागो यस्मिन्कर्मणि तथा ।
 तत्काले उत्तरकाले वा किं कर्तव्यमित्यत्र सूडमि यर्थः । रहस्यमेकान्तोद्भूतं
 राजकन्यायाः कान्तसंगमादिकम् । आक्रन्दो रोदनम् । अवगुण्ठितं वेष्टितम् ।
 तुमुले संकुले । अनियन्त्रितप्रवेशा अनिवारितप्रवेशाः । अन्तर्वेशिकाः अन्तःपुरे
 अधिकृताः पुरुषाः । तदवस्थम् । निगडितपदमित्यर्थः । तस्य राजकुमारस्या-
 नुभावेन सामर्थ्येन । ' अनुभावः प्रभावे च निश्चये भावसूचके ' इति वैजयन्ती ।
 निरुद्धा निग्रहेच्छा येषां ते । अन्तर्वेशिका इत्यर्थः । साऽपीति । सोऽपि ।
 चण्डवर्मैत्यर्थः । दहनगर्भयाऽग्निगर्भया । निशाम्यालोचय । ' शम आलोचने ' इत्य-
 स्मात्स्वार्थणिजन्ताच्चाप्रत्यये समासे ल्यप् । अत्यभिनिविष्टोऽत्यारूढः ।
 नैकविधा अनेकप्रकारा ये विप्रलम्भोपायाः प्रतारणयुक्तयस्तेषु यदागत्वं कौशलं

पाटवार्जितमूढपौरजनमिथ्यारोपितवितथदेवतानुभावः कपटधर्मकञ्चुको
निगूढपापशीलश्चपलो ब्राह्मणब्रुवः । कथमिवैनमनुरक्ता मादृशेष्वपि
पुरुषसिंहेषु सावमाना पापेयमवन्ति सुन्दरी । पश्यतु पतिमद्यैव
शूलावतंसितमियमनार्यशीला कुलपांसनी ' इति निर्भर्त्सयन्भीषणभ्रुकुटि-
दूषितललाटः काल इव काललोहदण्डकर्कशेन बाहुदण्डेनावलम्ब्य
हस्ताम्बुजे रेखाम्बुजरथाङ्गलाञ्छने राजपुत्रं सरभसमाचकर्ष । स तु
स्वभावधीरः सर्वपौरुषातिभूमिः सहिष्णुतैकप्रतिक्रियां दैवीमेव तामापद-
मवधार्य 'स्मर तस्या हंसगामिनि हंसकथायाः । सहस्ववासु मासद्वयम्'
इति प्राणपरित्यागरागिणीं प्राणसमां समाश्रयास्यारिवश्यतामयासीत् ।

अथ विदितवार्तावार्तो महादेवीमालवेन्द्रौ जामातरमाकारपक्ष-
पातिनावात्मपरित्यागोपन्यासेनारिणा जिघांस्यमानं ररक्षतुः । न शेकतु-
स्तु तमप्रभुत्वादुत्तारयितुमापदः । स किल चण्डशीलश्चण्डवर्मा
सर्वमिदमुदन्तजातं राजराजगिरौ तपस्यते दर्पसाराय सदिश्य सर्वमेव
पुष्पोद्भवकुटुम्भकं सर्वस्वहरणपूर्वकं सद्य एव बन्धने क्षिप्त्वा कृत्वा
च राजवह्मनं राजकेसरिकिशोरकमिव दारुपञ्जरनिबद्धं मूर्धजजाल-

तेनावर्जितो वशीकृतो मूढो यः पौरजनस्तेन मिथ्यारोपितो वितथा निष्फलो
देवतानुभावो यस्मिन्निति । कपटमेव धर्मकञ्चुकं यस्येति । निगूढं गुप्तम् ।
ब्राह्मणब्रुवः आत्मानं ब्राह्मणं ब्रूतेऽग्रे तथा । पुरुषसिंहेषु पुरुषश्रेष्ठेषु । सावमाना
हेलनापरा । 'अनेन तस्यां साभिलाषध्वनिः' इति भूषणा । शूला-
वतंसितं शूलारोपितम् । कुलपांसनी कुलदूषिका । कालो यमः । काललोहः
स्यामायसम् । रेखारूपाण्यम्बुजानि रथाङ्गानि चक्राणि लाञ्छनानि यस्मि-
न्निति । सरभसं सवेगम् । स त्विति । सर्वपौरुषाणां पुरुषार्थानामतिभूमिर-
चिष्टानम् । सहिष्णुतैव सहनशीलतैवैका प्रतिक्रिया प्रतीकारो यस्या इति ।
दैवीमेवादृष्टकृतामेव । तस्या हंसकथाया इति 'अधीगर्थदयेशां-' इति कर्मणि
षष्ठी । वासु बाले । अथेति । विदितवार्तां ज्ञातवृत्तान्तौ । आर्तो पीडितौ ।
आकारेण सैन्दर्येण पक्षपातिनाविति महादेवीमालवेन्द्रयोर्विशेषणम् । आत्मपरि-
त्यागस्य देहपरित्यागस्योपन्यासेन । वचनेनेत्यर्थः । स किलेति । राज-
राजगिरौ कैलासपर्वते । बन्धने कारागृहे । किशोरकमिव बालकमिव । दारुपञ्जरे

विलीनचूडामणिप्रभावविक्षिप्तक्षुत्पिपासादिखेदं च तमवधूतदुहितृप्रार्थन-
स्याङ्गराजस्योद्धरणायाङ्गानभियास्यन्नन्यविश्वासान्निनाय । सरोध च
बलभरदत्तकम्पश्चम्पाम् । चम्पेश्वरोऽपि सिंहवर्मा सिंह इवासह्यविक्रमः
प्राकारं भेदयित्वा महता बलसमुदायेन निर्गत्य स्वप्रहितदूतत्राता-
हूतानां साहाय्यदानायातिसत्त्वरमापततां धरापतीनामचिरकालभाविन्यपि
संनिधावदत्तापेक्षः साक्षादिवावलेपो वपुष्मानक्षमापरीतः प्रतिबलं प्रति-
जुग्राह । जगृहे च महति संपराये क्षीणसकलसैन्यमण्डलः प्रचण्ड-
प्रहरणशतभिन्नवर्मा सिंहवर्मा करिणः करिणमवप्लुत्यातिमानुषप्राणबलेन
चण्डवर्मणा । स च तद्दुहितर्यम्बालिकायामवलारत्नसमाख्यातायामति-
मात्राभिलाषः प्राणैरेनं न व्ययूयुजन् । अपि त्वनीनयदपनीताशेष-
शल्यमैकल्यसंधो बन्धनम् । अजीगणच्च गणकसंप्रैः—‘ अद्यैव क्षपाव-
साने विवाहनीया राजदुहिता ’ इति । कृतकौतुकमङ्गले च तस्मिन्नेक-
पिङ्गाचलात्प्रतिनिवृत्त्येणजङ्घा नाम जङ्घाकरिकः प्रभवतो दर्पसारस्य
प्रतिसंदेशमावेदयन्—‘ अयि मूढ किमस्ति कन्यान्तःपुरदूषकेऽपि

काष्ठपत्रे । मूर्धजजाले केशसमूहे विलीनां यश्चूडामणिनेमुचिकन्यया दत्तस्तस्य
प्रभावेन विक्षिप्तो दूरीकृतः क्षुत्पिपासादिखेदं यस्येति तम् । अवधूता तिरस्कृता
दुहितुः कन्यायाः प्रार्थना येनेति तस्याङ्गराजस्योद्धरणायान्मूलनायाङ्गान्देशानभि-
यास्यन्गच्छन्नन्यविश्वासादन्यविश्वासाभावाग्निनायेत्यन्वयः । चम्पेश्वर इति ।
प्राकारो वप्रः । दूतत्रातो दूतसमूहः । अचिरकालभाविनि अचिराद्भविष्यति । न
दत्ताऽपेक्षा येनेति । अवलेपो गर्भः । संपराये युद्धे । ‘ संपरायस्तु संयुगे ’ इति
हेमः । वर्म कवचम् । मानुषमतिक्रम्य वर्तन इत्यतिमानुषं प्राणबलं यस्येति ।
म चेति चण्डवर्मा । तद्दुहितरि सिंहवर्मकन्यायाम् । अम्बालिकेति नाम्ना
प्रसिद्धायाम् । रत्नत्वेनोत्कृष्टत्वेन । अतिमात्रत्यन्तमभिलाषो यस्येति तथा ।
अपि त्विति । अकल्या अचिन्त्या संधा प्रतिज्ञा यस्येति स तथा । गणकसंप्रैः ।
त्रैतिपिकमसूहेः । क्षपावसाने प्रातःकाले । कृतकौतुकमङ्गले बद्धवैवाहिककङ्कणे
तस्मिन्चण्डवर्मणि । एकपिङ्गस्य कुबेरस्य । एणजङ्घा नाम जङ्घाकरिकः । जङ्घैव करी
गमनवाहने हस्ता यस्य सः । शीघ्रगामात्यर्थः । ‘ जङ्घालोऽतिजज्ञो जङ्घाकरिको
जाङ्घिको जघी ’ इति हेमः । दर्पसारस्य प्रतिसंदेशं प्रत्युत्तरम् । अयानि क्रौमला-
मन्त्रणे । मूढेत्यात्मीयतया संबोधनम् । कन्यान्तःपुरदूषके दूषणोद्भाविके । स्थविरो

कश्चित्कृपावसरः । स्थावरः स राजा जराविलुप्तमानावमानचित्तो
दुश्चरितदुहितृपक्षपाती यदेव किञ्चित्प्रलपति त्वयाऽपि किं तदनुमत्या
स्यातव्यम् । अविलम्बितमेव तस्य कामोन्मत्तस्य चित्रवधवार्ता-
प्रेषणेन श्रवणोत्सवोऽस्माकं विधेयः । सा च दुष्टकन्या सहानु-
जेन कीर्तिसारेण निगडितचरणा चारके निरोद्धव्या ' इति । तच्चा-
कर्ण्य ' प्रातरेव राजभवनद्वारे स दुरात्मा कन्यान्तःपुरदूषकः संनि-
धापायितव्यः । चण्डपोतश्च मातङ्गपतिरुचितकल्पनोपपन्नस्तत्रैव सम्य-
स्थापनीयः । कृतविवाहकृत्यश्चोत्थायाहमेव तमनार्यशीलं तस्य हस्तिनः
कृत्वा कीडनकं तदधिखुड एव गत्वा शत्रुर्माहाय्यकाय प्रत्या-
सीदतो राजन्यकस्य सकोशवाहनस्यावग्रहणं करिष्यामि ' इति पार्श्व-
चरानवेक्षांचके । निन्ये चासावहन्यन्यस्मिन्नुन्मिषत्येवोषोरागे राजपुत्रो
राजाङ्गणं रक्षिभिः । उपतस्थे च क्षरितगण्डश्चण्डपोतः । क्षणे च
तस्मिन्मुमुचे तदङ्घ्रियुगलं रजतशृङ्खलाया । सा चैनं चन्द्रलेखाच्छविः
काचिदप्येरोरूपिणी भूत्वा प्रदक्षिणीकृत्य प्राञ्जलिव्यञ्जिपत्— ' देव
दीयतामनुग्रहाद्रै चित्तम् । अहमस्मि सोमरश्मिसंभवा सुरतमञ्जरी

रुद्धः । जरया विलुप्तौ मानावमाना यस्यैवंविधं चित्तं यस्येति । दुश्चरिता दुराचारा ।
' प्रलापोऽनर्थकं वचः ' इत्यमरः । किमित्याक्षेपे । सा चेति । सा दुष्टकन्या ।
अनुजेन कीर्तिसारेण सह । चारके बन्धनागारे । ' चारकं बन्धनालयः ' इति
वैजयन्ती । तच्चेति । संनिध्यः स्थापनीय इत्यर्थः । चण्डपोतनामा मातङ्गपतिः
कारंवरः । उचिताः याः कल्पनाः अलंकारादिरचनाः तैस्यपत्नो युक्तः । तमनार्य-
शीलं दुष्टस्वभावं तस्य हस्तिनः कीडनकं खेडनं कृत्वेति । प्रत्यासीदतः समीपमाग-
च्छतः । राजन्यकस्य क्षत्रियसमूहस्य । वाहनानि हस्त्यश्वादीनि । अवग्रहणं बन्ध-
नम् । निन्ये चेति । द्विकर्मकाऽयं धातुः । असौ राजपुत्रो राजवाहन इति ।
उपारागे प्रातःकालसंवाधनि लौहित्ये । राजाङ्गणम् । ' अङ्गणं चत्वरजिरे '
इत्यमरः । उपतस्थे । ' १ गतिनिवृत्तौ ' । प्रापित्यर्थः । ' अकर्मकाच्च ' इत्यात्मनेपदम् ।
क्षरितः स्रवणगण्डः कटो यस्येति । सा चेति । सा च रजतशृङ्खला । नम-

नाम सुरसुन्दरी । तस्या मे नमसि नैलिनलुब्धमुग्धकलहंसानुबद्ध-
वक्त्रायास्तन्निवारणक्षोभविच्छिन्नविगलिता हारयष्टिर्यदृच्छया जातु हैम-
वते सरसि मन्दोदके मग्नोन्मग्नस्य महर्षेर्मार्कण्डेयस्य मस्तके मणि-
किरणद्विगुणितपलितमपतत् । पातितश्च कोपितेन कोऽपि तेन मयि
शापः—‘पापे भजस्व लोहजातिमजातचैतन्या सती’ इति । स
पुनः प्रसाद्यमानस्त्वत्पादपद्मद्वयस्य मासद्वयमात्रं संदानतामेत्य निस्त-
रणीयामिमामापदमपरिक्षीणशक्तित्वं चेन्द्रियाणामकल्पयत् । अनल्पेन
च पाप्मना रजतशृङ्खलीभूतां मामैक्ष्वाकस्य राज्ञो वेगवतः पौत्रः पुत्रो
मानसवेगस्य वीरशेखरो नाम विद्याधरः शंकरगिरौ समध्यगमत् ।
आत्मसात्कृता च तेनाहमामम् । अथासौ पितृप्रयुक्तवैरे प्रवर्तमाने
विद्याधरचक्रवर्तिनि वत्सराजवंशवर्धने नरवाहनदत्ते विरसाशयस्तदप-
कारक्षमोऽयमिति तपस्यता दर्पसारेण सह सममृज्यत । प्रतिश्रुतं च
तेन तस्मै स्वसुरवन्तिमुन्दर्याः प्रदानम् । अन्यदा तु वियति व्यवदाय-
मानचन्द्रिके मनोरथप्रियतमामवन्तिसुन्दरीं दिदृक्षुः वशेन्द्रियस्तन्द्रि-
मान्दिरद्यति कुमारीपुरमुत्तमसरत् । अन्तरितश्च तिरस्करिण्या विद्यया स च

स्याकाशे । मुग्धो मूढः यः कलहंसस्तेनानुबद्धं वक्त्रं यस्याः । तन्निवारणं कलहंसानि-
वारणम् । तत्र विच्छिन्ना वृष्टिताऽत एव विगलिता । हारयष्टिर्हारिता । जानु कदाचित् ।
मग्नोन्मग्नस्य स्नानं कृत्वोत्थितस्य । पलितं जराजातशौक्ल्यम् । मणीयादि क्रिया-
विशेषणम् । कोपितेन कोपः संजातो यस्येति तथा । ‘तदस्य संजातं—’ इतीतच् । लोह-
जातिं लोहत्वम् । ‘जातिर्जातं च सामान्यम्’ इत्यमरः । मासद्वयमात्रं मासद्वय-
प्रमाणम् । ‘प्रमाणे द्वयतच्—’ इति मात्रच् । संदानतां पादबन्धनताम् । निस्तर-
णीयां समापनीयामित्यर्थः । अनल्पेन बहुता । पाप्मना पापेन । रजतशृङ्खलीभूतामिति
‘अभूत—’ इति च्विः । इक्ष्वाकौरयमैक्ष्वाकः । वेगवतस्तन्नामो राज्ञः । शंकरगिरौ
कैलासपर्वते । मां समध्यगमत् प्रापेत्यर्थः । आत्मसादात्माधीनः । तदधीने सातिः ।
अथेति । असौ वीरशेखरो विद्याधरः । पित्रा प्रयुक्तं यद्वैरं तस्मिन् । प्रवर्तमाने
कुर्वाण इत्यर्थः । नरवाहनदत्ते विरसाशयः पश्वान्तःकरणः । तस्य नरवाहनदत्तस्या-
पकारे निग्रहे क्षमः समर्थ इति । दर्पसारेण सममृज्यत । संगतोऽभूदित्यर्थः । तेन
दर्पसारेण । अन्यदेति । व्यवदायमानचन्द्रिके निर्मलज्योत्स्ने । ‘दैप् शोधने’ । मनो-
रथैः प्रियतमाम् । तिरस्करिण्याऽन्तर्धानकारिण्या विद्यया । स चेति वीरशेखरः ।

तां तदा त्वर्दङ्कापाश्रयां सुरतखेदसुप्तगात्रीं त्रिभुवनसर्गयात्रासंहार-
सर्बद्धाभिः कथाभिरमृतस्यन्दिनीभिः प्रत्यानीयमानरागपूरा न्यरूपयत् ।
स तु प्रकुपितोऽपि त्वदनुभावप्रतिबद्धनिग्रहान्तराध्यवसायः समादि-
ङ्गयेतरेतरमत्यन्तमुखसुप्तयोर्युवयोर्दैवदत्तोत्साहः पाण्डुलोहशृङ्खलात्मना
मया पादपद्मयोर्युगलं तव निगडयित्वा सरोषरमसमपासरत् । अव-
सितश्च ममाद्य शापः । तच्च मासद्वयं तव पारतन्त्र्यम् । प्रसीदेदानीम् ।
किं तव करणीयम् ' इति प्रणिपतन्ती ' वार्तयाऽनया मत्प्राणसूमां
समाश्वासय ' इति व्यादिश्य विससर्ज ।

तस्मिन्नेव क्षणान्तरे ' हतो हतश्चण्डवर्मा सिंहवर्मदुहितुरम्बा-
लिकायाः पाणिस्पर्शरागप्रसारिते बाहुदण्ड एव बलवदवलम्ब्य सरमस-
माकृष्य केनापि दुष्करकर्मणा तत्स्फेरेण नखप्रहारेण । राजमन्दिरोद्देशं
च शवशतमयमापादयन्नचकितगतिरसौ विहरति ' इति वाचः
समभवत् । श्रुत्वा चैतत्तमेव मत्तहस्तिनमुदस्ताधोरणो राजपुत्रोऽधिरूढ
रंहसोत्तमेन राजभवनमभ्यवर्तत । स्तम्भेरमरयावधूतपैत्तिदत्तवर्मा च
प्रविश्य वेदमभ्यन्तरमदभ्राभ्रनिर्घोषगम्भीरेण स्वरेणाम्यधात्—

तामवान्तिमुन्दरीम् । त्वदङ्केऽपाश्रयो यस्या इति । ' अपाश्रयः शिरोभागः ' इति
वैजयन्ती । सर्ग उत्पत्तिः । यात्रा व्यवहारस्थितिरिति यावत् । अमृत-
स्यन्दिनीभिरमृतखाविणीभिः । प्रत्यानीयमानः पराङ्मुखा साध्यमानो
रागपूरो यस्यास्ताम् । न्यरूपयत् । दृष्टवानित्यर्थः । त्वदनुभावेन त्वत्सामर्थ्येन
प्रतिबद्धो निवारितो निग्रहान्तराध्यवसायो निग्रहे मारणादावन्तरोऽन्तर्गतोऽध्यवसायो
निश्चयात्मिका बुद्धिर्यस्य । दैवेन दत्त उत्साहो यस्येति स विशाधरः । पाण्डु-
लोहं रजतम् । ' सर्वं च तैजसं लोहम् ' इत्यमरः । सरोषरमसं सकोधवेगम् ।
अवसितः समाप्ति प्राप्तः । व्यादिश्य कथयित्वा । सरमसं सवेगम् । दुष्करकर्मणा-
ऽमुकरकर्मणा । नखं व्याघ्रनखाद्यमायुधम् । ' एकेनैव नखरप्रहारेण ' इति
पाठे नखरञ्छुरिका । ' नखरस्त्वसिपुत्रिका ' इति वैजयन्ती । राजमन्दिराद्देशं
राजगृहप्रदेशम् । आपादयन्कुर्वन् । अचकितगतिरत्रस्तगमनः । श्रुत्वेति ।
तमेव चण्डवर्माधिष्ठितमेव । उदस्ताऽधःक्षिप्तः आधोरणो हस्तिपको
येनेति । उत्तमेन रंहसा वेगेन । स्तम्भेरमो हस्ती । स्तम्भे रमते असौ ।
' स्तम्भकर्णयो रमिजपोः ' इत्यच् । ' हलदन्तात्— ' इत्यलुक् । तस्य रयो वेगस्ते-
नावधूता दूरीकृता ये पत्तयः पदातयस्तैर्दत्तं वर्त्म यस्येति । अदभ्रं बहुलम् ।
अभ्रनिर्घोषगम्भीरेण मेघरसितगम्भीरेण । ' निर्घोषे रसितादि च ' इत्यमरः ।

‘ कः स महापुरुषो येनैतन्मानुषमात्रदुष्करं महत्कर्मानुष्ठिनम् ।
आगच्छतु । मया सहेभं मत्तहस्तिनमारोहतु । अभयं मदुपकण्ठ-
कर्तिनो देवदानवैरपि विगृह्णानस्य’ इति । निश्चयैवं स पुमानुपोढहर्षो
निर्गत्य कृताञ्जलिराक्रम्य संज्ञासंकुचितं कुञ्जरगात्रमसक्तमध्यरुक्षत् ।
आरोहन्तमेवैनं निर्वर्ण्य हर्षोत्फुल्लदृष्टिः ‘ अये प्रियसखोऽयमप-
हारवर्मेव ’ इति पश्चान्निषीदतोऽस्य बाहुदण्डयुगलमुभयभुजमूलप्र-
वेशितमग्रेऽवलम्ब्य स्वमङ्गमालिङ्गयामास । स्वयं च पृष्ठतो वलिताभ्यां
भुजाभ्यां पर्यवेष्टयत् । तत्क्षणोपसंहृतालिङ्गनव्यतिकरश्चापहारवर्मा चाप-
चक्रकणपर्कपणप्रासपट्टिशमुसलतोमरादिप्रहरणजातमुपयुञ्जानान्बलावलि-
प्तान्प्रतिबलवीरान्बहुप्रकारायाधिनः परिक्षिपतः क्षितौ विचिक्षेप । क्षणेन
चाद्राक्षीत्तदपि सैन्यमन्येन समन्ततोऽभिमुखमभिधावता बलनिकायेन
परिक्षिप्तम् ।

अनन्तरं च कश्चित्कर्णिकारगौरः कुरुविन्दमवर्णकुन्तलः
कमलकौमलपाणिपादः कर्णचुम्बिदुग्धधवलस्निग्धनीललोचनः कटि-
विगृह्णानस्थ विरोधं कुर्वतः । उपोढहर्षो वर्धमानहर्षः । संज्ञया संकेतेन संकुचि-
तम् । कुञ्जरगात्रं पूर्वगदजाङ्घ्रप्रदेशम् । ‘ द्वौ पूर्वपश्चाज्जङ्घादिदेशौ गात्रावरे क्रमात् ’
इत्यमरः । असक्तं त्वरितमित्यर्थः । अध्यरुक्षदास्रोह । अये इति ।
‘ अतर्क्यपतिते त्वये ’ इति केशवः । प्रियसखोऽयमिति ‘ राजाहःमखिभ्यष्टच् ’
इत्यदन्तता । वलिताभ्यां चालिताभ्याम् । ‘ बल चलने ’ । वकिताभ्यामित्यर्थः ।
उपसंहृत आलिङ्गनव्यतिकर आश्लेषसंपर्को येनेति तथा । कणपो लोहस्तम्भः ।
‘ लोहस्तम्भस्तु कणपः ’ इति वैजयन्ती । कर्पणः सरावः । ‘ कुटिलाग्रस्तु कर्पणः’
इति च । प्रासः कुन्तः । ‘ प्रासस्तु कुन्तः ’ इत्यमरः । पट्टिशः शस्त्र-
विशेषः । भाषया ‘ पट्टा ’ इति प्रसिद्धः । ‘ पट्टिशः स्याद्विशालाग्रः ’ इति वैजयन्ती ।
मुसलं कण्डनसाधनकाष्ठतुल्यमायसायुधम् । मुसलमिति वा । तोमरो लोह-
गुच्छः । भाषया ‘ गुर्ज ’ इति ख्यातः । ‘ तोमरो वेगदण्डवान् ’ इति वैजयन्ती ।
प्रहरणजातं शस्त्रसमूहम् । उपयुञ्जानान्प्रेरयतः । बहुप्रकारमभ्योधिना युद्धं कुर्वतः ।
परिक्षिपतः । लोकानिति शेषः । विचिक्षेप । पातितवानित्यर्थः । बल-
निकायेन सेनासमूहेन । ‘ निकायो निवहो व्यूहः समूहो विसरो व्रजः ’ इति कोशः ।
अनन्तरमिति । कर्णिकारो दुस्रोत्पलस्तद्वद्वीरः । कुरुविन्देन सवर्णाः समानाः
कुन्तलाः केशा यस्येति । कुरुविन्दो नीलगुच्छः नीलमणिरिति यावत् । कटि-

तटनिविष्टरत्ननखः पट्टनिवसनः कृशाकृशोदरोरःस्थलः कृतहस्ततया
रिपुकुलमिषुवर्षेणाभिषवर्षन् पादाङ्गुष्ठनिष्ठुरावदृष्टकर्णमूलेन प्रजविना
गजेन संनिक्कष्य पूर्वोपदेशप्रत्ययात् 'अयमेव स देवो राजवाहनः'
इति प्राञ्जलिः प्रणम्यापहारवर्माणि निविष्टदृष्टिराचष्ट—'त्वदादिष्टेन
मार्गेण संनिपातितमेतदङ्गराजसाहाय्यदानायोपस्थितं राजकम् । अरि-
बलं च विहतविध्वस्तं स्त्रीबालहार्थशस्त्रं वर्तते । किमन्यत्कृत्यम्'
इति । हृष्टस्तु व्याजहारापहारवर्मा—'देव दृष्टिदानेनानुगृह्यतामश-
माज्ञाकरः । सोऽयमहमेवामुना रूपेण धनमित्रास्यया चान्तरितो
मन्तव्यः । स एवायं निर्गमय्य बन्धनादङ्गराजमपवर्जितं च कोश-
वाहनमेकीकृत्यास्मद्वृद्धेणामुना सह राजन्यकेनैकान्ते सुखोपनिष्ठमिह
देवमुपतिष्ठतु यदि न दोषः' इति । देवोऽपि 'यथा ते रोचते'
इति तमाभाष्य गत्वा च तन्निर्दिष्टेन मार्गेण नगराद्बहिरतिमहतो
रोहिणद्रुमस्य कैस्यचित्क्षौमावदातसैकते गङ्गातरङ्गपवनपातशीतले
तले द्विरदादवततार । प्रथमसमवतीर्णेनापहारवर्मणा च स्वहस्तसत्वर-

तटे निविष्टो रत्नयुक्तो नखः नखरः छुरिका इति वा यस्येति । पट्टं दुकूलं निवसनं
यस्येति तथा । कृशाकृशे उदरोरःस्थले यस्येति स तथा । कृशोदरः स्थूलोरःस्थल-
श्चेति योज्यम् । कृतहस्ततया शिक्षितहस्ततया । 'शिक्षितं कृतमर्थवत्' इति
भागुरिः । इषुवर्षेण बाणवृष्ट्या । अङ्गुष्ठाभ्यां निष्ठुरं यथा तथाऽवदृष्टं घर्षितं कर्ण-
मूलं यस्येति तेन । निविष्टदृष्टिर्दत्तदृष्टिः । त्वदादिष्टेनेति । राजकं राजसमूहः ।
स्त्रीबालैर्हार्थाणि शस्त्राणि यस्य । अज्ञाकरः सेवकः । सोऽयमहमेवेति । अन्त-
रितः भिन्न इत्यर्थः । स एव धनमित्रोऽङ्गराजं सिंहवर्माणं बन्धनान्निर्गमय्य निष्का-
मय्य । अपवर्जितम् । इतस्ततो गतमित्यर्थः । अस्मद्वृद्धेणास्मत्पक्षस्थेन । 'गृहाः
पक्षस्थ उच्यते' इति वैजयन्ती । राजन्यकेन क्षत्रियसमूहेन । देवम् । त्वामिति
यावत् । देव इति । देवो राजवाहनः । तमपहारवर्मणम् । तन्निर्दिष्टेनापहारवर्म-
कथितेन मार्गेण । रोहिणद्रुमस्य वटवृक्षस्य । 'वटवृक्षस्तु रोहिणः'
इति वैजयन्ती । क्षौममिवावदातं शुद्धं यत्सैकतं तस्मिन् । प्रथ-
मेति । स्वहस्तेनात्मकरेण सत्वरं सवेगं समीकृते समतां प्रापिते ।

१ अभिपात्य. २ राजन्यकम्. ३ अखिलारिः, अखिलं चा०. ४ सोऽयमप्यहः;
सोऽयमेवाय. ५ कस्यचिन्मूले.

समीकृते मातङ्ग इव भागीरथीपुलिनमण्डले सुखं निषसाद । तथा निषण्णं च तमुपहारवर्मार्थपालप्रमतिमित्रगुप्तमन्त्रगुप्तविश्रुतैमथिलेन च प्रहारवर्मणा, काशीभर्त्रा च कामपालेन, चम्पेश्वरेण सिंहवर्मणा सहोपागत्य घनमित्रः प्राणिपपात । देवोऽपि हर्षाविद्धमभ्युत्थितः 'कथं समस्त एष मित्रगणः समागतः, को नामायमभ्युदयः' इति कृतयथोचितोपचारान्निर्भरतरं परिरेभे । काशीपतिमैथिलाङ्गरानांश्च सुहृन्निवेदितान्पितृवदपश्यत् । तैश्च हर्षकम्पितपलितं सैरमसोपगूढः परमभिननन्द । ततः प्रवृत्तासु प्रीतिसंकथासु प्रियवयस्यगणानुयुक्तः स्वस्य च सोमदत्तपुण्योद्भवयोश्चरितमनुवर्ण्य सुहृदामपि वृत्तान्तं क्रमेण श्रोतुं कृतप्रस्तावस्तांश्च तदुक्तावन्वयुङ्क्त । तेषु प्रथमं प्राह स्म किलापहारवर्मा—

इति श्रीदण्डिनः कृतौ दशकुमारचरिते राजवाहनचरितं नाम प्रथम उच्छ्वासः ।

द्वितीयोच्छ्वासः ।

‘देव त्वयि तदाऽवतीर्णे द्विजोपकारायासुरविवरं त्वदन्वेषण-
प्रसृते च मित्रगणेऽहमपि महीमटन्नङ्गेषु गङ्गातटे बहिःश्रम्पा
याः ‘कश्चिदस्ति तपःप्रभावोत्पन्नदिव्यचक्षुर्मगीचिर्नाम महर्षिः’ इति

तथेति । तं राजवाहनम् । उपहारवर्मादिविश्रुतान्तैः पञ्चभिर्दशकुमारान्तर्गतैः । मैथिलेन मिथिलाधिपेन । निर्भरतरं दृढतरम् । हर्षेति—हर्षेण कम्पितं पलितं जरया गुक्ताः केशा यथा स्यात्तथा । तत इति । सोमदत्तपुण्योद्भवयोश्चरितमाचरणं पूर्व-
पीडिकायामुक्तमनुवर्ण्य । सुहृदां सर्वेषाम् । कृतप्रस्तावः कृतोपक्रमः । तदुक्तां सुहृद-
वृत्तान्तोक्तौ । अन्वयुङ्क्त । योजितवानित्यर्थः । तेषु सुहृत्सु मध्ये प्रथममपहारवर्मा प्राह स्मेत्यन्वयः ।

इति श्रीदशकुमारचरितटीकायां प्रथम उच्छ्वासः ।

किमाहापहारवर्मा—देवेति । प्रसृते परितश्चरिते । दिव्यचक्षुःश्रोत्रिन्द्रियद्रष्टा ।
‘संलापो भाषणं मिथः’ इत्यमरः । उपलभ्य ज्ञात्वा । अमुतः मुनेरित्यर्थः ।

१ मातङ्ग इव स्फटिकमय इव. २ एव. ३ उत्पीडिततरम्. ४ हर्षेनिर्भरतरम्; ० निर्भर-
रमसो. ५ सहसोपगूढः. ६ पस्थिते.

कुतश्चित्संलपतो जनसमाजादुपलभ्यामुतो बुभुत्सुस्त्वद्गतिं तमुद्देशमग-
मम् । न्यशामयं च तस्मिन्नाश्रमे कस्यचिच्छ्रुतपोतकस्य च्छायायां
कमप्युद्विग्नवर्णं तापसम् । अमुना चातिथिवदुपचरितः क्षणं विश्रान्तः
' कासौ भगवान्मरीचिः, तस्मादहमुपलिप्सुः प्रसङ्गप्रोषितस्य सुहृदो
गतिम्, आश्चर्यज्ञानविभवो हि स महर्षिर्मह्या विश्रुतः ' इत्यवादिषम् ।
अथासावुष्णमायतं च निःश्वस्याशंसत् — ' आसीत्तादृशो मुनिरस्मि-
न्नाश्रमे । तमेकदा काममञ्जरी नामाङ्गपुरीवतंसस्थानीया वारयुवतिरश्रु-
बिन्दुतारकितपयोधरा सनिर्वेदमभ्येत्य कीर्णशिखण्डास्तीर्णभूमिरभ्य-
वन्दिष्ट । तस्मिन्नेव च क्षणे मातृप्रमुखस्तदासवर्गः ' सानुक्रोशमनु-
प्रधावितस्तत्रैवाविच्छिन्नपातमपनत् । स किल कृपालुस्तं जनमार्द्रया
गिरोंऽऽश्वास्यातिंकारणं तां गणिकामपृच्छत् ! सा तु सत्रीडेव सविषा-
देव सगौरवेव चाब्रवीत्— ' भगवन् ऐहिकस्य सुखस्योभाजनं
जनोऽयमामुष्मिकाय श्रोवसीयागार्ताभ्युपपत्तिवित्तयोर्भगवत्पादयोर्मूलं
शरणमभिप्रपन्नः ' इति । तस्यास्तु जनन्युदञ्जलिः पलितशार-

बुभुत्सुर्वेदुमिच्छुः । त्वद्गतिं त्वन्मार्गमित्यर्थः । तमुद्देशं महर्ष्यभिष्टितप्रदेशम् । न्यशा-
मयमपश्यम् । उद्विग्नवर्णमुद्विग्नस्य वर्णं इव वर्णः कान्तित्यस्येति स तम् । उपचरितः
संलपितः । तस्मान्मरीचिः । उपलिप्सुर्मुपलब्धुमिच्छुः । प्रसङ्गप्रोषितस्य केनापि कार-
णेन गतस्य । आश्चर्यश्चमत्कारकारी ज्ञानविभवो ज्ञानसामर्थ्यं यस्य तथा ! अवादिषं
उक्तवानित्यर्थः । अथेति । असौ तापसः । तं महर्षिम् । अङ्गपुरीवतंसस्थानीया
तन्मञ्जरीशेखरभूता । 'वष्टि भागुरिरल्लोपमवाप्योरुपसर्गयोः' इत्यकारलोपः । वारयुवति-
र्वेश्या । अश्रुबिन्दुतारकितपयोधरा अश्रुबिन्दुभिस्तारकितौ पयोधरो यस्या इति ।
तारकाः संजाता अस्येति व्युत्पत्तिः । सनिर्वेदं सर्वत्रोपेक्षासहितम् । कीर्णभूमिः कीर्णः
प्रसृतो यः शिखण्डः केशपाशस्तेनास्तीर्णा कृतास्तरणा भूमिर्येति । तस्मिन्निति ।
तस्या वाराङ्गनायाः आसवर्गः । सानुक्रोशं सकृपम् । आर्तिंकारणं पीडानिदानम् ।
सेति । ऐहिकस्येह भवं तथा तस्य । अभाजनमपात्रम् । असुत्रं जातमामुष्मिकम् ।
पारलौकिकायेत्यर्थः । श्रोवसीयाय कल्याणाय । 'श्रोवसीयं शिवं शुभम्' इति हला-
युधः । आर्ताभ्युपपत्तिवित्तयोरार्तानां पीडितानामभ्युपपत्तिरनुग्रहस्तद्वित्तयोः ख्यातयोः ।
चरणविशेषणम् । जननी माता । उद्भूतोऽञ्जलिर्यस्याः सा उद्ञ्जलिरूर्ध्वःकृताञ्जलिः ।

शिखण्डबन्धस्पृष्टमुक्तभूमिरभाषत—‘ भगवन्, अस्या मे दोषमेषा
 वो दासी विज्ञापयस्व ।’ दोषश्च मम स्वाधिकारानुष्ठापनम् । एष हि
 गणिकामातुराधिकारो यदुहितुर्जन्मनः प्रभृत्येवाङ्गक्रिया, तेजोवलवर्ण-
 मेधासंवर्धनेन दोषाग्निधातुसाम्यकृता मितेनाहारेण शरीरपोषणम्,
 आ पञ्चमाद्वर्षादितुरप्यनतिदर्शनम्, जन्मदिने पुण्यदिने चोत्सवोत्तरो
 मङ्गलविधिः, अध्यापनमनङ्गविद्यानां साङ्गानाम्, नृत्यगीत-
 बाधनाद्यचित्रास्वाद्यगन्धपुष्पकलासु लिपिज्ञानवचनकौशला-
 दिषु च सम्यग्विनयनम्, शब्दहेतुसमयविद्यामु वार्तामात्रा-
 वबोधनम्, आजीवज्ञाने क्रीडाकौशले सजीवनिर्जीवामु च
 द्यूतकलास्वम्यन्तरीकरणम्, अभ्यन्तरकलामु वैश्वामिकजनात्प्रयत्नेन
 प्रयोगग्रहणम्, यात्रोत्सवादिष्वादरप्रमाधिनायाः स्फीतपरिवर्हायाः
 प्रकाशनम्, प्रमङ्गवत्यां संगीतादिक्रियाया पूर्वसंगृहीतग्राह्यवाग्भिः

पलितेन रजसा शौक्येन शार्धत्रो यः शिखण्डबन्धस्तनादौ स्पृष्टा पथान्मुक्ता
 भूमिर्यथा । ‘पूर्वकालैक-’ इति समासः । भगवन्निति । मे दोषं मन्दपणम् । वो
 गुप्ताकं दासी । मत्कन्येत्यर्थः । स्वाधिकारानुष्ठापनं स्वोचितकर्माचरणप्रेरणम् ।
 अङ्गक्रियोद्वर्तनादिः । ‘अङ्गक्रिया यदङ्गेषु हरिदातेलमर्दनम्’ इति वान्म्यायने ।
 तेजः शरीरकान्तिः । वलं सामर्थ्यम् । मेधा धारणावती बुद्धिः । एतेषां सम्यग्वर्धनेन
 पोषणेन । पोषा वातपित्तश्लेष्माणः । अग्निजाठरः । वातवः रुम । एतेषां साम्यकृता
 ऽवैषम्यकृता । आ पञ्चमात् पञ्चमवर्षादुत्तरमित्यर्थः । ‘आर् मर्यादाभिर्वध्योः’
 इति पञ्चमी । अनतिदर्शनमत्यन्तदर्शनाभावः । जन्मदिने उत्पत्तिदिवसे । पुण्यदिने
 संक्रमणादौ । अनङ्गविद्यानां कामप्रतिपादकविद्यानाम् । विनयनं शिक्षणम् । शब्दो व्याक-
 रणम् । हेतुस्तर्कः । ‘समयः ज्योतिषः सिद्धान्तः’ इति भूषणा । अवबोधनं ज्ञानम् ।
 आजीवो जीविका । क्रीडाकौशले नर्मभाषणनैपुण्ये । सजीवा. कुक्कुटादियोजनानि.
 निर्जीवाश्चतुरङ्गाद्याः । अभ्यन्तरीकरणं स्वायत्तीकरणम् । अभ्यन्तरकलामु रत-
 कलासु । ‘साऽभ्यन्तरकला यत्तु स्पर्शाङ्गस्पर्शनं रतौ’ इति वात्स्यायनः । वैश्वाम-
 सिकजनादाप्तजनात् । प्रयोगः कर्तव्यता । प्रसाधिताया अलंकृतायाः । ‘प्रसाधितो-
 ऽलंकृतश्च भूषितश्च परिष्कृतः’ इति वैजयन्ती । परिवर्हः परिच्छदः ।
 ‘परिवर्हस्तु राजाहं वस्तुन्यपि परिच्छदे’ इत्यपि । सेवकजन इति यावत् ।

सिद्धिलम्भनम्, दिङ्मुखेषु तत्तच्छिल्पवित्तकैर्यशःप्रख्यापनम्, कार्ता-
न्तिकादिभिः कल्याणलक्षणोद्धोषणम्, पीठमर्दविटविदूषकैर्भिक्षुक्या-
दिभिश्च नागरिकपुरुषसमवायेषु रूपशीलशिल्पसौन्दर्यमाधुर्यप्रस्तावना,
युवजनमनोरथलक्ष्यभूतायाः प्रभूतमेन शुल्केनावस्थापनम्, स्वतो
रागान्धाय तद्भावदर्शनेनमादिताय वा जातिरूपवयोर्यशक्तिशौच-
त्यागदाक्ष्यदाक्षिण्याशिल्पशीलमाधुर्योपपन्नाय स्वतन्त्राय प्रदानम्,
अधिकगुणायास्वतन्त्राय प्राप्तमायारूपेनापि बहुन्यपदेशेनार्पणम्,
अस्वतन्त्रेण वा गान्धर्वसमागमेन तदुरुभ्यः शुल्कापहरणम्, अलाभे-
ऽर्थस्य कामस्वीकृते स्वामिन्यधिकरणे च साधनम्, रक्तस्य दुहि-
त्रैकचारिणीव्रतानुष्ठापनम्, नित्यनैमित्तिकप्रीतिदायकतया हृतशिष्टानां
गम्यधनानां चित्रैरुपायैरपहरणम्, अदत्ता लुब्धप्रायेण च विगृह्या-
सनम्, प्रतिहस्तिप्रोत्साहनेन लुब्धस्य रागिणस्त्यागशक्तिसंधुक्षणम्,
असारस्य वाक्संतक्ष्णैर्लोकोपक्रोशनैर्दुहितृनिरोधनैर्वाडोत्पादनैरन्या-

प्राह्यवाग्भिः शिक्षकैः । 'प्राह्यवागुपलालकः' इति वैजयन्ती । सिद्धिलम्भनं सिद्धि-
प्रापणम् । शिल्पवित्तकैः कलाप्राप्तद्वैमादौङ्गलमौरजिकादिभिः । कार्तान्तिका
लक्षणज्ञाः । उद्धोषणं ख्यापनम् । पीठमर्दो नटावेशेषः । 'पीठमर्दो विटश्चेति तथा
चेटविदूषकौ' इत्युक्तेष्वतिवृष्टे नायकप्रियः पीठमर्द इति । 'पीठमर्दोऽतिवृष्टे स्यान्ना-
ख्योक्त्या नायकप्रिये' इति विग्रहः । कुपितस्त्रीप्रसादकः इति भूः । विट एकवियः ।
विदूषकः । 'विकृताङ्गवचोर्वेपहास्यकारी विदूषकः' इति । भिक्षुकी धमणा । 'धमणा
भिक्षुकी मुण्डा' इति हैमः । नागरिका निपुणाः । समवायेषु समुदायेषु । प्रभूतमेन
प्रचुरतरेण । शुल्को मौल्यम् । उन्मादित उन्मादं प्रापितस्तस्मै । शौचं शुद्धता ।
'शौचमर्थेष्ववधनम्' इति वैजयन्ती । दाक्ष्यं कुशलत्वम् । दाक्षिण्यं सरलता । गान्धर्व-
समागमेन । गान्धर्वविवाहेनेत्यर्थः । कामस्वीकृते स्वायत्तीकृते । स्वामिन्यधिकारिणि ।
अधिकरणे चोत्तरादौ । 'अलाभे अर्थस्य धूर्तास्त्वशुल्कालाभे । कामस्वीकृते मैत्र्याद-
ङ्गीकृते । स्वामिनि प्रभौ प्रामाण्यक्षे । अधिकरणे नागरिकसंसदि । साधनमुच्चावचवागा-
दिभिः स्वोपयुक्तविधानम् ।' इति भूषणा । रक्तस्य । अनुरक्तस्येत्यर्थः । एकचारिणी-
व्रतं पातिव्रत्यम् । हृतशिष्टानां गृहीतावशिष्टानाम् । गम्यधनानाम् । गम्या भुजङ्गाः ।
'गम्यो विटः पाल्लविको भुजङ्गः' इति भार्गुरिः । असनं क्षेपणम् । प्रतिहस्त्यासन्नगृह-
वेश्यापतिः । 'प्रतिहस्ती प्रातिवेश्यः' इति वैजयन्ती । त्यागशक्तेः संधुक्षणमुद्गीप्तीकरणम् ।
असारस्य निर्धनस्य । वाक्संतक्ष्णैर्वचनतिरस्कारैः । लोकोपक्रोशनैर्लोकेषु

भियोगैरवमानैश्चापवाहनम्, अर्थदैरनर्थप्रतिघातिभिश्चानिन्दैरिभ्यैरनु-
बद्धार्थानर्थसंशयान्विचार्य भूयोभूयः संयोजनमिति । गणिकायाश्च
गम्यं प्रति सज्जतैव न सङ्गः । सत्यामपि प्रीतौ न मातुर्मातृकाया वा
शासनातिवृत्तिः । एवं स्थितेऽनया प्रजापतिविहितं स्वधर्ममुल्लङ्घ्य
कचिदागन्तुके रूपमात्रधने विप्रयूनि स्वेनैव धनव्ययेन रममाणया
मासमात्रमत्यवाहि । गम्यजनश्च भूयानर्थयोग्यः प्रत्याचक्षाणयाऽनया
प्रकोपितः । स्वकुटुम्बकं चावसादितम् । ‘एषा कुमतिर्न कल्याणी’
इति निवारयन्त्यां मयि वनवासाय कोपात्प्रस्थिता । सा चेदियमहाये-
निश्चया सर्व एषे जनोऽत्रैवानन्यगतिरनशनेन संस्थास्यते’ इत्यर्गोदीत् ।

अथ सा वारयुवतिस्तेन ‘भद्रे ननु दुःखाकरोऽयं वनवासः । तस्य
फलमपवर्गः स्वर्गो वा । प्रथमस्तु तयोः प्रकृष्टज्ञानसाध्यः प्रायो दुः-
संपाद एव, द्वितीयस्तु सर्वस्यैव सुलभः कुलधर्मानुष्ठायिनः । तदश-
क्यारम्भादुपरम्य मातुर्मते वर्तस्व’ इति सानुकम्पमभिहित्वा ‘यदीह
भगवत्पादमूलमशरणम्, शरणमस्तु मम कृपणाया हिरण्यरेता देव
एव’ इत्युदमनायत । स तु मुनिरनुविमृश्य गणिकामातरमवदत्—
‘संप्रति गच्छ गृहान् । प्रतीक्षस्व कानिचिद्दिनानि यावादियं सुकु-
मारा सुखोपभोगसमुचिता सत्यरण्यवासव्यसनेनोद्वेजिता भूयोभूय-

निन्दनेः । अपवाहनं दूरीकरणम् । अनर्थप्रतिघातिभिरुपद्रवनिवारकैः । इभ्यैर्धनिकैः ।
सज्जता तत्परता । मातृकाया मातामह्याः । ‘मातुर्माता तु मातृका’ इति वैज-
यन्ती । अतिवृत्तिस्त्यागः । गम्यजनो विटजनः । ‘गम्यो विटः पाल्लविको भुजङ्गः’ इति
भागुरिः । प्रत्याचक्षाणया प्रत्याख्यानं कुर्वत्या । अवसादितं नाशितम् । अहार्यनिश्चया
दृढनिश्चया । संस्थास्यते मरिष्यतीत्यर्थः । ‘संस्थानं मरणं मतम्’ इति वैजयन्ती ।
अथेति । दुःखाकरो दुःखजनकः । ‘दुःखात्प्रातिलोभ्ये’ इति डाक्षप्रत्ययः ।
प्रथमोऽपवर्गः दुःसंपादो दुःसाध्यः । कुलधर्मानुष्ठायिनः स्वकुलोचितकर्मकारिणः ।
अशक्यारम्भात्तपस इत्यर्थः । अशरणमरक्षितृ । हिरण्यरेता दहन । उदमनायत
उन्मना अभवत् । ‘दुर्मेना विमना अन्तर्मनाः स्यादुक्त उन्मनाः’ इत्यमरः । गृहान् ।
‘गृहाः पुंसि च भूम्येव’ इत्यमरः । प्रकृतौ स्वभावे । अलघुभक्तिर्दृढभक्तिः ।

१ अन्यैः. २ अवादीत्. ३ अस्मात्परं ‘सा तु प्रत्यवादीत्’ इत्य० एक० पुस्तके.
४ वासोद्वेजिता.

श्वास्माभिर्विबोध्यमाना प्रकृतावेव स्थास्यति ' इति । ' तथा ' इति तस्याः प्रतियाते स्वजने सा गणिका तमृषिमलघुभक्तिधौतोद्गमनीय-वासिनी नात्यादृतशरीरसंस्कारा वनतरुपोतालवालपूरणैर्देवतार्चन-कुसुमोच्चयावचयप्रयासैर्नैकैर्विकल्पोपहारकर्मभिः कामशासनार्थं च गन्ध-माख्यधूपदीपनृत्यगीतवाद्याभिः क्रियाभिरेकान्ते च त्रिवर्गसंबन्धिनीभिः कथाभिरध्यात्मवादैश्चानुरूपैरल्पीयसैव कालेनान्वरञ्जयत् ।

एकदा च रहसि रक्तं तमुपलक्ष्य ' मूढः खलु लोको यत्सह धर्मेणार्थकामावपि गणयति ' इति किञ्चिदस्मयत । ' कथय वासु केनांशेनार्थकामातिशायी धर्मस्तवाभिप्रेतः ' इति प्रेरिता मरीचिना लज्जामन्थरमारमताभिधातुम्—' इतः किल जनान्द्रगवतस्त्रिवर्गबला-बलज्ञानम् । अथ वैतदपि प्रकारान्तरं दासजनानुग्रहस्य । भवतु । श्रू-यताम् । ननु धर्मादृतेऽर्थकामयोरनुत्पत्तिरेव । तदनपेक्ष एव धर्मो निवृत्तिमुखप्रसूतिहेतुरात्मसमाधानमात्रसाध्यश्च । सोऽर्थकामवद्वाह्य-साधनेषु नात्यायतते । तत्त्वदर्शनोपबृंहितश्च यथाकथंचिदप्यनुष्ठीय-

धौतोद्गमनीयेति । धौतं यदुद्गमनीयं वल्लयुगलं तद्वस्ते सा तद्वासिनी । ' तत्स्यादुद्गमनीयं यद्वौतयोर्वल्लयोर्युग्मम् ' इत्यमरः । धौतोद्गमनीयमित्यत्र ' विशिष्ट-वाचकानाम् ' इति वचनाद्विशेष्यपरतया व्याख्येयम् । नात्यादृतेति । नात्यादृत आदरितः शरीरस्य संस्कारः परिकर्मादिव्यथा सा । वनतरुणां पोता बालवृक्षास्तेषामालवालानि । देवतार्चनार्थं कुसुमानि पुष्पाणि तेषामुच्चयः सप्रहस्तस्यावचयो ग्रहणं तत्प्रयासैः श्रमैः । ' टच्चयस्तरोरादानमवचयो भूमेः ' इति भूषणा । नैका अनेका ये विकल्पा भेदाः । ' विकल्पः संशये भेदे ' इति वररुचिः । उपहारकर्मभिर्बलिकर्मभिः । कामशासनो महादेवस्तदर्थं तन्निमित्तम् । ' कामशासनार्थे कामोद्दीपनार्थं च ' इति भूषणा । त्रिवर्गो धर्मार्थकामाः । अध्यात्म-वादैरात्मानमधिकृत्य ये वादास्तत्त्वबुभुसुकथाः तैः । एकदेति । रक्तमनुरक्तम् । किञ्चिदल्पम् । कथयेति । वासु बाले । ' अथ बाला स्याद्वासूः ' इत्यमरः । ' अम्ब-र्थनयोर्ह्रस्वः ' इति संबुद्धौ ह्रस्वता । अर्थकामावतिशेते अतिक्रम्य वर्तते इति तथा । अभिप्रेतः संमतः । इतो जनान्मल्लक्षणात् । धर्मादृते इति । तथा च व्यासः—धर्मार्थश्च कामश्चेति इ०' इति भू० । तदनपेक्षोऽर्थकामनिरपेक्ष एव । स्वतन्त्र एवेत्यर्थः । निवृत्तिमुखं मोक्षमुखं तदुद्भवहेतुः । आत्मसमाधानं बुद्धेरकाग्रतामात्रम् । ' आत्मा यत्नो धृतिर्बुद्धिः स्वभावो ब्रह्म वर्ण्य च ' इत्यमरादयः । स धर्मः । नात्यायतते नात्यन्तमधीनो भवती-

मानाम्यां नार्थकामाम्यां बाध्यते । बाधितोऽपि चारुपायासप्रतिसमा-
हितस्तमपि दोषं निर्हृत्य श्रेयसेऽनुरूपाय कल्पते । तथा हि । पितामहस्य
तिलोत्तमाभिलाषः, भवानीपतेर्मुनिपत्नीसहस्रसंदूषणम्, पद्मनाभस्य
षोडशसहस्रान्तःपुरविहारः, प्रजापतेः स्वदुहितर्यपि प्रणयप्रवृत्तिः, शची-
पतेरहल्याजारता, शशाङ्कस्य गुरुतरूपगमनम्, अंशुमालिनो वडवा-
लङ्घनम्, अनिलस्य केसरिकलत्रसमागमः, बृहस्पतेरुत्तम्यभार्याभिसरणम्,
पराशरस्य दाशकन्यादूषणम्, पाराशर्यस्य भ्रातृदारसंगतिः, अत्रेर्मृगी-
समागम इति । अमराणां च तेषु तेषु कार्येष्वामुरविप्रलम्भनानि ज्ञान-
बलान्न धर्मपीडामावहन्ति । धर्मपूते च मनसि नभसीव न जातु रजोऽनु-
षज्यते । तन्मन्ये नार्थकामौ धर्मस्य शततमीमपि कलां स्पृशतः' इति ।

श्रुत्वैतद्विषयं उदीर्णरागवृत्तिरभ्यधात्—‘अयि विलासिनि साधु पश्यासि ।
न धर्मस्तत्त्वदर्शिनां विषयोपभोगेनोपरुध्यत इति । किं तु जन्मनः
प्रभृत्यर्थकामवार्तानभिज्ञा वयम् । ज्ञेयौ चेमौ किंरूपौ किंपरिवारौ किं-
फलौ च ’ इति । सा त्वावादीत्—‘अर्थस्तावदर्जनवर्धनरक्षणात्मकः, कृषि-

त्यर्थः । ‘यतो प्रयत्ने’ । उपसर्गादर्थान्तरम् । तत्त्वदर्शनेनोपबृंहितो वर्धितो धर्मो-
ऽर्थकामाभ्यां न बाध्यते । बाधितोऽपि धर्मोऽनुरूपयासेनाल्पयत्नेन प्रतिसमा-
हितः समाधानं प्रापितः । अनुरूपाय श्रेयसे मोक्षाय । तथा हीति । तिलोत्तमा-
ऽप्सरोविशेषः । संदूषणं गमनम् । पद्मनाभस्य कृष्णस्य प्रणयेन प्रीत्या प्रवृत्तिः प्रवर्तनम् ।
अहल्या गौतमपत्नी । गुरुतल्पं बृहस्पतिभार्या । ‘तल्पं शय्याश्चदारेषु’ इत्यमरः । अंशु-
माली सूर्यः । वडवाऽश्विनी । अनिलस्य वायोः । केसरी वानरभेदः । उत्तम्यो बृह-
स्पतेर्ज्येष्ठभ्राता । अभिसरणं गमनम् । पराशरस्य व्यासपितुः । दाशः कैवर्तः
तत्कन्या सत्यवती तदूषणं तद्वनम् । पाराशर्यस्य भ्राता त्रिचित्रवीर्यः । आसुर-
विप्रलम्भनान्यकृत्याचरणानि । ‘अकृत्याचरणं यत्तदासुरं विप्रलम्भनम्’ इत्यजयः ।
ज्ञानबलात्तत्प्राप्त्यात् । धर्मपूते धर्मपवित्रे । जातु कदाचित् । यथा नभसिरजो नानुषक्तं
भवति तथेत्यर्थः । श्रुत्वैति । उदीर्णा वृद्धिं गता रागवृत्तिरिच्छावृत्तिः यस्येति ।
अयि विलासिनीति सानुरागोक्तिः । तत्त्वदर्शिनां तत्त्वसाक्षात्कारिणाम् । धर्मो
विषयोपभोगेन स्त्रियाद्युपभोगेन नोपरुध्यते नोपक्षीयते । ज्ञेयौ चेमावर्थकामौ
ज्ञातव्याविति । रूपं स्वरूपम् । परिवारः परिकरः । अर्जनं संपादनम् । वर्धनं वृद्धिः

पाशुपाल्यवाणिज्यसंधिविग्रहादिपरिवारः तीर्थप्रतिपादनफलम् । कामस्तु विषयातिसक्तचेतसोः स्त्रीपुंसयोर्निरतिशयसुखस्पर्शविशेषः । परिवारस्त्वस्य यावदिह रम्यमुज्ज्वलं च । फलं पुनः परमाह्लादनम्, परस्परविमर्दजन्म, स्मर्यमाणमधुरम्, उदीरिताभिमानमनूत्तमम्, सुखमपरोक्षं स्वसंवेद्यमेव । तस्यैव कृते विशिष्टस्थानवर्तिनः कष्टानि तपांसि महान्ति दानानि दारुणानि युद्धानि भीमानि समुद्रलङ्घनादीनि च नराः समाचरन्ति ' इति ।

निशम्यैतन्नियतिबलान्नु तत्पाटवान्नु स्वबुद्धिमान्द्यान्नु स्वनियमनादृत्य तस्यामसौ प्रासजत् । सा सुदूरं मूढात्मानं च तं प्रवहणेन नीत्वा पुरमुदारशोभया राजवीथ्या स्वभवनमनैषीत् । अभूच्च घोषणा ' श्वः कामोत्सवः ' इति । उत्तरेद्युः स्नातानुलिसमारचितमञ्जुमालमारब्धकामिजनवृत्तं निवृत्तस्ववृत्तामिलाषं क्षणमात्रगतेऽपि तया विना दूयमानं तमृषिमृद्धिमता राजमार्गेणोत्सवसमाजं नीत्वा कचिदुपवनोद्देशे युवतिजनशतपरिवृतस्य राज्ञः

कलादिभिः । रक्षणं पालनम् । कृषिः कर्षणकर्म । पाशुपाल्यं पशुपालनम् । तीर्थेषु सत्पात्रेषु प्रतिपादनं दानम् । स्त्रीपुंसयोरिति ' अचतुर-' इत्यादिना निपातनाददन्तता । निरतिशयः । श्रेष्ठ इत्यर्थः । यावदिति साकल्ये । परस्परविमर्दजन्मान्योन्यालिङ्गनचुम्बनादिजन्म । ' उदीरित इत्यत्राभिमानः सार्थक्यबुद्धिर्यत इत्यर्थः ' इति भूषणा । अपरोक्षं प्रत्यक्षम् । तस्यैव सुखस्यैव निमित्तम् । कृते इत्यव्ययं तादर्थ्ये । ' अर्थे कृतेऽव्ययं तावत्तादर्थ्ये वर्तते द्वयम् ' इति कोशः । विशिष्टस्थानवर्तिनः सतीर्थवःसिनः । निशम्य श्रुत्वा । नियतिर्दैवम् । तस्याः काममञ्जर्याः पाटवं पटुत्वम् । मान्यं मन्दत्वम् । नुः सर्वत्र विर्तके । स्वनियमं मुनिसमयम् । असौ मरीचिस्तस्यां काममञ्जर्यां प्रासजत् प्रसक्तोऽभूदित्यर्थः । सेति । सा काममञ्जरी । मूढात्मानं मूर्खबुद्धिम् । तं मुनिम् । प्रवहणेन कर्णारथसङ्घकेन वाहनविशेषेण । उदारशोभयोत्कृष्टशोभया । राजवीथ्या राजमार्गेण । स्वभवनं स्वगृहमनैषीदनयत् । अभूच्चेति । घोषणा डिण्डिमः । ' दाडोरा ' इति प्रसिद्धः । श्व आगामिनि दिवसे । उत्तरेद्युस्तदिवसे । पूर्वं स्नातः पश्चादनुलिसस्तथा तम् । आचरिता धृता मञ्जुर्मनोहरा माला येनेति तम् । वृत्तं वर्तनम् । निवृत्तो दूरापास्तः स्ववृत्ते स्वाचरणेऽमिलाषो यस्य तम् ।

१ अभिषक्त, अभिव्यक्त. २ उज्ज्वलं च वस्तु. ३ अनुत्तमसुखम्. ४ निमित्तबलान्नु. ५ मुण्ड. ६ दूयमानचित्तम्.

संनिधौ स्मितमुखेन तेन ' भद्रे भगवता सह निषीद ' इत्यादिष्टा
 सविभ्रमं कृतप्रणामा'सस्मितं न्यषीदत् । तत्र काचिदुत्थाय बद्धा-
 ज्जलिरुत्तमाङ्गना ' देव जिताऽनयाऽहम् । अस्यै दास्यमद्यप्रभृत्यभ्यु-
 पेतं मया ' इति प्रभुं प्राणंसीत् । विस्मयहर्षमूलश्च कोलाहलो
 लोकस्योदजिहीत । हृष्टेन च राज्ञा महार्हे रत्नालंकारैर्महता च
 परिबर्हेणानुगृह्य विसृष्टा वारमुख्याभिः पौरमुख्यैश्च गणशः प्रशस्य-
 माना स्वभवनमगतैव तमृषिमभाषत—'भगवन् अयमञ्जलिः । चिर-
 मनुगृहीतोऽयं दासजनः । स्वार्थ इदानीमनुष्ठेयः' इति । स तु रागा-
 दशानिहत इवोद्धाम्याब्रवीत्—'प्रिये किमेतत् । कुत इदमौदासी-
 न्यम् । क गतस्तव मय्यसाधारणोऽनुरागः ' इति । अथ सा सस्मित-
 मिदमवादीत्—'भगवन् ययाऽद्य राजकुले मत्तः पराजयोऽभ्युपेतस्त-
 स्याश्च मम च कस्मिंश्चित्संघर्षे ' मरीचिमावर्जितवतीव श्लाघसे ' इति
 तयाऽस्म्यहमधिसिप्ता । दास्यपणबन्धेन चास्मिन्नर्थे प्रावर्तिषि ।
 सिद्धार्था चास्मि त्वत्प्रसादात्' इति । स तथा तथाऽवधूतो दुर्मतिः कृता-
 नुशयः शून्यवन्न्यवर्तिष्ट । यस्तथैवं कृतस्तपस्वी तमेव मा महाभाग
 मन्यस्व । स्वशक्तिनिषिक्तं रागमुद्धृत्य तथैव बन्धक्या महद्वैराग्य-

दूयमानं खिद्यमानम् । ऋद्धिमता समृद्धेन । उत्सवसमाजं श्रीढासभाम् ।
 भगवता मुनिना सह । निषीद उपविश । तत्रेति । तत्र सभायाम् । अनया
 काममञ्जया । अभ्युपेतमङ्गीकृतम् । कोलाहलः कलकलः । उदजिहीत । ' ओहाइ
 गतौ ' इति धातुः । उद्धतोऽभूदित्यर्थः । अहो मूल्यम् । परिबर्हः परिकरः ।
 सेवकजन इति यावत् । अयं दासजनो मल्लक्षणः । स्वार्थस्तपश्चरणादिः ।
 स त्विति । उदासीनस्य भाव औदासीन्यम् । अथेति । संघर्षः स्पर्धा ।
 आवर्जितवतीव । वशीकृतवतीवेत्यर्थः । पणबन्धः प्रतिज्ञा । अस्मिन्नर्थे भवद्वशी-
 करणरूपेऽर्थे । प्रावर्तिषि प्रवृत्ता अभूवम् । सिद्धार्था कृतार्था । अवधूतो दूरी-
 कृतः । कृतानुशयः कृतपश्चात्तापः । शून्यवच्छून्यहृदय इव । य इति ।
 तपस्यशुक्रम्यः । ' तपस्वी चानुकम्पार्हः ' इत्यमरः । महाभागेत्यपहारवर्म-
 संबोधनम् । तमेव मरीचिमेव मा मन्यस्व । जानीहीत्यर्थः । स्वशक्ति-
 निषिक्तं स्वशक्त्या स्वकामार्थेन । ' स्वशक्तिः प्रलोभनशक्तिः ' इति भूषणा । निषिक्तं
 निक्षिप्तम् । रागमनुरागम् । उद्धृत्य दूरीकृत्य । बन्धक्या पुंश्वल्या । ' पुंश्वली धर्षणी

मर्षितम् । अचिरादेव शक्य आत्मा त्वदर्थसाधनक्षमः कर्तुम् । अस्या-
मेव तावद्वसाङ्गपुर्यां चम्पायाम् ' इति ।

अथ तन्मनश्चयुततमःस्पर्शभियेवास्तं रविरगात् । ऋषिमुक्तश्च
रागः संध्यात्वेनास्फुरत् । तत्कथादत्तवैराग्याणीव कमलवनानि
समकुचन् । अनुमतमुनिशासनस्त्वहममुनैव सहोपास्य संध्या-
मनुरूपाभिः कथाभिस्तमनुशय्य नीतरात्रिः प्रत्युन्मिषत्युदयप्रस्थ-
दावकल्पे कल्पद्रुमकिसलयावधीरिण्यरुणार्चिषि तं नमस्कृत्य
नगरायोदचलम् । अदर्शं च मार्गाभ्यासवार्तिनः कस्यापि क्षपणक-
विहारस्य बहिर्विविक्ते रक्ताशोकखण्डे निषण्णमस्पृष्टसमाधिमाधि-
क्षीणमग्रगण्यमनभिरूपाणां कृपणवर्णं कमपि क्षपणकम् । उरसि
चास्य शिथिलितमलनिचयान्मुखान्निर्वृततोऽश्रुचिन्दूनलक्षयम् । अप्राक्षं
चान्तिकोपविष्टः—' क तपः क च रुदितम् । न चेद्रहस्यमिच्छामि

बन्धक्यसती कुलदेवरी ' इत्यमरः । त्वदर्थसाधनक्षमस्त्वत्प्रयोजनसंपादनसमर्थः ।
अथेति । तस्य मुनेर्यन्मनस्तस्मात् च्युतं गलितं यत्तमोऽज्ञानं तत्स्पर्शभियेव ।
सूर्यतमसोर्वैरादिति भियेवत्यर्थः । ऋषिमुक्तः स रागः काममजरीविषयकः । संध्या-
त्वेनास्फुरदिति प्रकटीबभूवेत्यर्थः । तत्कथाः मुनिवार्तास्ताभिर्दत्तवैराग्याणीव कमल-
वनानि समकुचन्संकुचितानि बभूवुः । इवशब्दोऽत्रोत्प्रेक्षायाम् । अनुमतमङ्गीकृतं मुनि-
शासनं येनेति सः । अमुना सह मुनिना सह । सहयोगे तृतीया । अनुरूपाभिरनु-
कूलाभिः । तमनुशय्य । तेन सह शयित्वेत्यर्थः । 'तृतीयार्थे—' इत्यनोः कर्मप्रवचनी-
यत्वम् । 'कर्मप्रवचनीययुक्ते द्वितीया' । प्रत्युन्मिषत्युदयति सतीति सप्तम्यन्तम् । उदयः
पूर्वपर्वतः । तस्य प्रस्थः सानुः । 'स्तुः प्रस्थः सानुरस्त्रियाम्' इत्यमरः । तत्र दावकल्पे
वह्निसदृशे । कल्पद्रुमस्य किसलयानि पल्लवानि । अवधीरिणि तिरस्कारकारिणि ।
अरुणमर्चिर्यस्य तस्मिन् अरुणार्चिषि सूर्ये । तं मुनिम् । नगराय नगरं प्रतीत्यर्थः ।
उदचलम् । चलित इत्यर्थः । अदर्शमिति दृष्टवान् । मार्गाभ्यासं समी-
पम् । 'समीपे निकटासन्नसंनिकष्टसनीडवत् । सदेशाभ्यासस्यविधिसमर्थादसवेशवत् '
इत्यमरः । क्षपणकविहारस्य सौगतावासस्य बहिः विविक्ते विजने । रक्ता-
शोकखण्डे रक्ताशोककदम्बे । 'कदम्बे खण्डमस्त्रियाम्' इत्यमरः । अस्पृष्टसमाधिं
नियमरहितम् । 'समाधिर्नियमे ध्याने' इति विश्वः । आधिक्षीणं मानसपीडादुर्बलम् ।
अनभिरूपाणां कुरुपाणाम् । कृपणवर्णं दीनवर्णम् । क्षपणकं बौद्धम् । शिथिलितो
मलनिचयो यत्रेति तथा तस्मात् । अन्तिकोपविष्टः समीपस्थितः । न चेद्रहस्यं न

श्रोतुं शोकहेतुश्च ' इति । सोऽब्रूत—' सौम्य, श्रूयताम् । अहमस्या-
मेव चम्पायां निषिपालितनाम्नः श्रेष्ठिनो ज्येष्ठसूनुर्वसुपालितो नाम ।
वैरूप्यात्तु मम विरूपक इति प्रसिद्धिरासीत् । अन्यश्चात्र सुन्दरक
इति यथार्थनामा कलौगुणैः समृद्धो वसुना नातिपुष्टोऽभवत् । तस्य
च मम च वपुर्वसुनी निमित्तीकृत्य वैरं वैरोपजीविभिः पौरधूतैरुदपा-
द्यत । त एव कदाचिदावयोरुत्सवसमाजे स्वयमुत्पादितमन्योन्यावमान-
मूलमधिक्षेपवचनव्यतिकरमुपशमय्य ' न वपुर्वसु वा पुंस्त्वमूलम्,
अपि तु प्रकृष्टगणिकाप्रार्थ्ययौवनो हि यः स पुमान् । अतो युवति-
ललामभूता काममञ्जरी यं वा कामयते स हरतु सुभगपताकाम् '
इति व्यवस्थापयन् । अभ्युपेत्यावां प्राहिणुव तैस्यै दूतान् । अहमेव
क्विलामुष्याः स्मरोन्मादहेतुरासम् । आसीनयोश्चावयोर्मामेवोपगम्य सा
नीलोत्पलमयमिवापाङ्गदामाङ्गे मम मुञ्चन्ती तं जनमपत्रपयाऽधोमुखं
व्यधत् । सुभगमन्येन च मया स्वधनस्य स्वगृहस्य स्वगणस्य स्वदे-
हस्य स्वजीवितस्य च सैवेश्वरीकृता । कृतश्चाहमनया मलमल्लकशेषः ।

चेद्वोप्यम् । सोऽब्रूतेति । श्रेष्ठिनो वणिगवरस्य । अन्यः कश्चन । वसुना नातिपुष्टः ।
दरिद्र इति यावत् । तस्य सुन्दरकस्य मम च वपुर्वसुनी शरीरद्रव्ये । वैरोपजीवि-
भिवैरेणोपजीवन्तीति तथोक्तैः । त इति । स्वयं तैः पौरधूतैः । अन्योन्यावमानमूलं
परस्परवाक्कानिदानम् । अधिक्षेपस्य वचनानां व्यतिकरस्तं अधिक्षेपवचनव्यतिकरं
तिरस्कारवाक्यप्रसरम् । उपशमय्य शान्तिं नीत्वा । प्रकृष्टगणिकयोत्तमवेक्ष्यया प्रार्थ्य-
मानं यौवनं यस्येति स तथा । युवतिललामभूता युवतिभूषणभूता । सुभग इति
पताकाम् । चिह्नमिति यावत् । व्यवस्थापयन्निति मर्यादां चक्रुरित्यर्थः । अभ्यु-
पेत्याङ्गीकृत्य । तस्यै तामानेतुम् । ' क्रियार्थोपपदस्य—' इति कर्मणि चतुर्थी ।
अहमिति । ' अर्थवद्ग्रहणे यस्मान्नानर्थकपरिग्रहः । सुरूपधनिनोर्वैद्या गृह्णाति
धनिनं ततः ॥ ' इति नक्षत्रमाला । ' अपाङ्गदाम शङ्कारानुभावः ' इति भूषणा ।
अपाङ्गं नेत्रप्रान्तम् । तं जनं मत्प्रतिद्वन्द्विनं सुन्दरकम् । अपत्रपया लज्जया ।
' लज्जा साऽपत्रपाऽन्यतः ' इत्यमरः । सुभगमिति । आत्मानं सुभगं
मनुते स सुभगमन्यः । ईश्वरीकृता स्वामिनीकृता । च्यन्तमेतत् । मलमल्लकं
कौपीनम् । ' आच्छादनं संपिधानं कौपीनं मलमल्लकम् ' इति वैजयन्ती ।

हृतसर्वस्वस्तया चापवाहितः प्रपद्य लोकोपहासलक्ष्यतामक्षमश्च सोढुं
 धिक्कृतानि पौरवृद्धानामिहं जैनायतने मुनिनैकेनोपदिष्टमोक्षवर्त्मा सुकर
 एष वेषो वेशनिर्गतानामित्युदीर्णवैराग्यस्तदपि कौपीनमजहाम् । अथ
 पुनः प्रकीर्णमलपङ्कः प्रबलकेशलुञ्चनव्यथः प्रकृष्टतमक्षुत्पिपासादिदुःखः
 स्थानासनशयनमोजनेष्वपि द्विष इव नवग्रहो बलवतीभिर्यन्त्रणामिरु-
 द्वेजितः प्रत्यवामृशम् । 'अहमस्मि द्विजातिः । अस्वधर्मो ममैष
 पाखण्डपथावतारः । श्रुतिस्मृतिविहितेनैव वर्त्मना मम पूर्वजाः प्राव-
 र्तेन्त । मम तु मन्दंमौग्यस्य निन्द्यवेषमुमन्ददुःखायतनं
 हरिहरहिरण्यगर्भादिदेवतापवादश्रवणनैरन्तर्यात्रेत्यापि निरयफलम-
 फलं विप्रलम्भप्रायमीदृशमिदमधर्मवर्त्म धर्मवत्तमाचरणीयमासीत् ।'
 इति प्रत्याकलितस्वदुर्नयः पिण्डीखण्डं विविक्तमेतदासाद्य पर्याप्तमश्रु
 मुञ्चामि ' इति । श्रुत्वा चैतदनुकम्पमानोऽब्रवीत्—' भद्र, क्षमस्व ।
 कंचित्कालमत्रैव निवस । निजेन द्युम्नेनासावेव वेश्या यथा त्वां
 योजयिष्यति तथा यतिष्ये । सन्त्युपायास्तादृशाः ' इत्याश्वास्य

अपवाहितो बहिष्कृतः । प्रपद्य प्राप्य । लोकानामुपहासास्तेषां लक्ष्यतां स्थानताम् ।
 धिक्कृतानि तिरस्कारवचनानि । पौरवृद्धानां नागरिकश्रेष्ठानाम् । जैनायतने क्षपणक-
 देवतागारे । वेशो वेश्यागृहम् । उदीर्णवैराग्योऽधिकवैराग्यः । कौपीनमजहामत्यजम् ।
 अथेति । प्रकीर्णः प्रसृतः मलपङ्कः यस्य । प्रबला केशानां लुञ्चनमुत्पटनं
 तस्य व्यथा यस्य सः । प्रकृष्टतमेत्यत्र 'अतिशयाने तमविष्टनौ' इति तमप् । क्षुत्क्षुधा
 पिपासा तृषा । नवग्रहो नूतनं ग्रहणमुपादानं यस्येति । प्रत्यवामृशं व्यचारयम् ।
 द्विजातिर्वैश्यः । पाखण्डानां पन्थाः पाखण्डपथः । 'शृङ्गपूरः' इत्यवन्तता । पाखण्ड-
 पथावतारः बौद्धमार्गावतरणम् । अमन्ददुःखायतनं महदुःखायानम् । अपवादो निन्दा ।
 श्रवणस्य नैरन्तर्यात्रिन्तरस्य भावस्तेन । अविच्छेदादित्यर्थः । प्रेत्य जन्मान्तरे ।
 'प्रेत्यामुत्र भवान्तरे' इत्यमरः । निरयो नरकः । विप्रलम्भप्रायं वञ्चनःप्रायम् । अधर्म-
 वर्त्माधर्ममार्गः । प्रत्याकलितो विचारितः । पिण्ड्यशोकः । खण्डं समूहः । 'अशोकः
 पिण्डिका पिण्डी' इति वैजयन्ती । विविक्तमेकान्तम् । पर्याप्तं यथेष्टम् । भवेति संबोधनम् ।
 द्युम्नेन धनेन । 'हिरण्यं व्रविणं द्युम्नम्' इत्यमरः । अनु पश्चात् । आविशभेव प्रविशभेव ।

तमनूत्थितोऽहम् । नगरमाविशनेव चोपलभ्य लोकवादाद्बुद्धसमृद्ध-
पूर्णं पुरमित्यर्थानां नश्वरत्वं च प्रदर्श्य प्रकृतिस्थानमून्विधास्यन्कर्णी-
सुतप्रहिते पथि मतिमकरवम् । अनुप्रविश्य च द्यूतसमामक्षधूर्तैः
समगंसि । तेषां च पञ्चविंशतिप्रकारासु सर्वासु द्यूताश्रयासु कलासु
कौशलमक्षभूमिहस्तादिषु चात्यन्तदुरूपलक्ष्याणि कूटकर्माणि तन्मू-
लानि सावलेपान्यधिक्षेपवचनानि जीवितनिरपेक्षाणि संरम्भविचेष्टि-
तानि सभिकप्रत्ययव्यवहारान् न्यायबलप्रतापप्रार्थनङ्गीकृतार्थसाधन-
क्षमान्बलिषु सान्त्वनानि दुर्बलेषु भर्त्सितानि पैक्षरचनानैपुणमुच्चावचानि
प्रलोभनानि ग्लहप्रमेदवर्णनानि द्रव्यसंविभागौदार्यमन्तरान्तराऽश्लील-
प्रायान्कलकलानित्येतानि चान्यानि चानुभवन्न तृप्तिमध्यगच्छम् ।
अहसं च किञ्चित्प्रमाददत्तशारे कचित्कितवे । प्रतिकितवस्तु निर्द-
हन्निव क्रोधताम्रया दृशा मामभिर्वाक्ष्य ' शिक्षयसि रे द्यूतवर्त्म
हासव्याजेन । आस्तामयमशिक्षितो वराकः । त्वयैव तावद्विचक्षणेन
देविप्यामि ' इति द्यूताध्यक्षानुमत्या व्यत्यषजत् । मया जितश्चासौ

लोकवादाज्जनवाक्यात् । लुब्धाः कृपणाः । समृद्धाः श्रीमन्तः । ' अधिकर्द्धिः समृद्धः
स्यात् ' इत्यमरः । कर्णीसुतप्रहिते कर्णीसुतः स्तेयशालकृता तेन प्रहिते प्रव-
र्तिते । अक्षधूर्तैः पाशनिपुणैः । समगंसि संगतोऽभवम् । तेषां चेति । तेषामक्ष-
धूर्तानाम् । अक्षभूमिः शारीस्थापनगृहम् । कूटकर्माणि कपटकर्माणि तन्मू-
लानि कूटकर्ममूलानि । ' सभिका द्यूतकारकाः ' इत्यमरः । ' ० व्यवहारन्याय-
बलेति । व्यवहारो लोकानां व्यवहारः न्यायो युक्तिः तयोर्बलमुपन्यासः प्रतापः
प्रागल्भ्यं तैः प्रयोजितार्थसाधने क्षमस्तस्मादिति प्रत्ययस्य विशेषणम् । क्वचित्प्र-
त्ययव्यवहारादिति पाठः । ' प्रत्ययजनको व्यवहारः इत्यर्थः । ' इति भूषणा ।
अङ्गीकृतार्थः स्वीकृतार्थस्तत्साधने क्षमान्समर्थान् । पैक्षरचनानैपुणं स्वपक्षीकरणे
नैपुण्यम् । सर्वलोकानां स्वायत्तीकरणे कुशलत्वमित्यर्थः । उच्चावचान्यनेकप्रका-
राणि । प्रलोभनानि मोहनानि । ग्लहः पणः । ' पणोऽक्षेषु ग्लहो मतः ' इत्यमरः ।
' ग्लहप्रमेदवर्णनानि पणस्यान्यथाभाववर्णनानि ' इति भूषणा । अन्तरान्तरा
मध्येमध्ये इत्यर्थः । अश्लीलप्रायानसभ्यबहुलान् । ' अश्लीलं प्राम्यभाषणम् ' इति
वैजयन्ती । कलकलान्कोलाहलान् । प्रमाददत्तशारे प्रमादेनानवधानतया
दत्तः शारः क्षेपकरणं येन तस्मिन् । प्रतिकितवः प्रतिकूलकितवः । द्यूतवर्त्म
द्यूतमार्गम् । हासव्याजेन हासमिषेण । व्यत्यषजद्वयतिषक्तोऽभूत् । दीनाराणां

१ लुब्धसभिकमित्यर्थः । २ अनुप्रपद्य । ३ अक्षभूमिः । ४ व्यवहारन्यायः ।
५ प्रयोजितार्थः, जितार्थः, ६ परपक्षरचनानैपुण्यम्, ७ उपलोभनानि ।

षोडशसहस्राणि दीनाराणाम् । तदर्धं सभिकाय सम्येभ्यश्च दत्त्वाऽर्धं
स्वीकृत्योदतिष्ठम् । उदतिष्ठंश्च तत्रगतानां हर्षगर्भाः प्रशंसालापाः । प्रार्थय-
मानसभिकानुरोधाच्च तद्गारेऽत्युदारमभ्यवहारविधिमकरवम् । यन्मूलश्च
मे दुगेदरावतारः स मे विमर्दको नाम विश्वास्यतरं द्वितीयं हृदयमासीत् ।

तन्मुखेन च सारतः कर्मतः शीलतश्च सकलमेव नगरमवधार्य धूर्जटि-
कण्ठकल्माषकालतमे तमसि नीलनिवसनाधोरुक्परिहितो बद्धतीक्ष्ण-
कौक्षेयकः फणिमुखकाकलीसंदंशकपुरुषशीर्षकयोगचूर्णयोगवर्तिकामान-
सूत्रकर्कटकरज्जुदीपभाजनभ्रमरकरण्डकप्रभृत्यनेकोपकरणयुक्तो गत्वा
कस्यचिल्लुब्धेश्वरस्य गृहे संधिं छित्त्वा पटभाससूक्ष्मच्छिद्रालक्षितान्तर्गृह-
प्रवृत्तिरव्ययो निजगृहमिवानुप्रविश्य नीवीं सारमहतीमादाय निरगाम् ।
नीलनीरदनिकरपीवरतिमिरनिबिडितायां राजवीथ्यां झटिति शत-
हदासंपातमिव क्षणमालोकमलक्षयम् । अथासौ नगरदेवतेव नगर-
मोषरोषिता निःसंबाधवेलायां निःसृता संनिवृष्टा काचिदुन्मिष-
द्रूषणा युवतिराविरासीत् । ‘ कासि वासु, क यासि ’ इति सद्यमुक्ता

निष्काणाम् । सुवर्णानामिति यावत् । तत्रगतानां सभिकसभ्यानाम् । अभ्यवहारविधि
भोजनविधिम् । दुगेदरं द्यूतम् । धूर्जटीति । धूर्जटिर्महादेवः तरुणो यत्कल्माषं
कालिमा तद्वत्कालतमेऽतिश्यामले । नीलनिवसनं नीलवस्त्रं तस्य यदर्धोरुक्मवगुण्ठन-
वस्त्रं तेन परिहित आच्छादितः । कौक्षेयकः करवालः । ‘ कुलकुक्षिग्रीवाभ्यः—’ इति
वृकम् । फणिमुखं सुरङ्गासाधनम् । काकली कर्तरी । “ निद्राति जागर्ति वेति बोध-
नार्थं कलमधुरध्वनिवायविशेषः ” इति केचित् । ‘ काकली तु कले सूक्ष्मे ध्वनौ
तु मधुरास्फुटे ’ इत्यमरः । संदंशकः भाषायां ‘ सांडशी ’ इति ख्यातः । पुरुषशीर्षकं
पुरुषशीर्षप्रतिकृति काष्ठमयं शिरः । योगचूर्णं निधिप्रदर्शकमौषधम् । योग-
वर्तिकोपायाञ्जनम् । ‘ यस्याः प्रज्वालनात्सर्वत्र सर्व एव लोचनगोचरा भवन्ति ।
यत्प्रभया मोहमुपयान्ति जनाः ’ इति भूषणा । मान्सूत्रं प्रमाणरज्जुः । कर्कटको
यन्त्रसाधनम् । भाषया ‘ कर्कटक ’ इत्युच्यते । रज्जुरारोहणसाधनम् । भ्रमरकरण्डकं
दीपनिर्वापणशस्त्रमभाषम् । संधिमिश्रकासंधिम् । पटभासो जालान्तरम् । तस्य इव
सूक्ष्मं छिद्रं तेन आलक्षिता इ० । पटभाक्षेति पाठे पटभाक्षः प्रेक्षणपाथनं इति
भूषणा । नीवीं मूलधनम् । नीलेति । नीला ये नीरदा मेघास्तेषां निकरः समूहस्तेन
पीवरं पुष्टं यत्तिमिरमन्धकारस्तन्निबिडितायाम् । शतहदा विद्युत् । संपातः स्फुरणम् ।
आलोकं प्रकाशम् । अथेति । असौ विद्युःप्रकाशः । नगरस्य मोषश्चात्रैव तेन रोषिता
कृष्टः नगरदेवतेव । निःसंबाधं निःसंकटम् । उन्मिषद्रूषणा प्रम रद्रूषणा । त्रासगद्गदं

त्रासगद्गदमगादीत्—‘ आर्य, पुर्यस्यामर्यवर्थः कुचेरदत्तनामा वसति ।
 अस्म्यहं तस्य कन्या । मां जातमात्रां धनमित्रनाम्नेऽत्रत्यायैव कस्मै-
 चिदिभ्यकुमारायान्वजानाद्भार्या मे पिता । स पुनरस्मिन्नत्युदारतया
 पित्रोरन्ते वित्तैर्निजैः क्रीत्वेवार्थिवर्गाद्दरिद्रं दरिद्रति सत्यथोदारक
 इति च प्रीतलोकाधिरोपितापरश्लाघ्यनामानि वरयत्येव तस्मिन्मां
 तरुणीभूतामधन इत्यदत्ताऽर्थपतिनाम्ने कस्मैचिदितरस्मै यथार्थनाम्ने
 सार्थवाहाय दित्सति मे पिता । तदमङ्गलमद्य किल प्रमाते भावीति
 ज्ञात्वा प्रागेव प्रियतमदत्तसंकेता वञ्चितस्वजना निर्गत्य बाल्या-
 म्यस्तेन वर्त्मना मन्मैथामिसरा तदगारमभिसरामि । तन्मां मुञ्च ।
 गृहाणैतद्भाण्डं ’ इत्युन्मुच्य मह्यमर्पितवती । दयमानश्चाहमब्रवम्—
 ‘ एहि साध्वि, त्वां नयेयं त्वत्प्रियावसथम् ’ इति त्रिचतुराणि पदा-
 न्युदचलम् । आपतच्च दीपिकालोकपरिलुप्यमानतिमिरभारं यष्टिकृपाण-
 पाणि नागरिकचलमनल्पम् । दृष्ट्वैव प्रवेपमानां कन्यकामवदम्—‘ भद्रे मा
 भैषीः । अस्त्ययमसिद्वितीयो मे बाहुः । अपि तु मृदुरयमुपायस्त्वदपेक्षया
 चिन्तितः । शैयेऽहं भावितविषवेगविक्रियः । त्वयाऽप्यमी वाच्याः—
 ‘ निशि वयमिमां पुरीं प्रविष्टाः । दष्टश्च ममैष नायको दर्वाकरे-

भयविह्वलम् । अगादीत् । ‘ गद व्यक्तायां वाचि ’ । अर्यवर्यो वैश्यवर्यः । ‘ अर्यः
 स्वामिवैश्ययोः ’ इति सूत्रेण निपातः । अत्रत्यायैतद्देशभवाय । ‘ अव्ययात्यप् ’ ।
 ‘ अमेहकतसिन्नेभ्य एव ’ इति वार्तिकम् । धनमित्रनाम्ने इभ्यकुमाराय धनिककुमाराय ।
 अन्वजानात्प्रतिज्ञातवान् । स्त इति । स पिता । अस्मिन्धनमित्रे । प्रीतेन लोकेनाधि-
 रोपितं दत्तमुदारक इत्यपरं श्लाघ्यं नाम यस्य तस्मिन् । सार्थवाहाय वणिजे ।
 दरिद्रति दातुमिच्छति । तदमङ्गलमर्थपतिदानरूपम् । प्रियतमो धनमित्रनामा तेन
 दत्तः संकेतो यस्यैवेति । मन्मथो मदनोऽभिसरः सहायो यस्याः सा । अगारं गृहम् ।
 अभिसरामि गच्छामि । एतद्भाण्डमेतद्भूषणम् । उन्मुच्योत्तार्य । आवसथं गृहम् ।
 आपतञ्चेति । दीपिका ‘ दिवदी ’ इति लोकप्रसिद्धा । ‘ दीपशब्दात्संज्ञायां कन् ’ इति
 भूषणा । ‘ दीपिका हस्तदीपः स्यात् ’ इति वैजयन्ती । ‘ नागरिकस्य नगररक्षाकर्तुः
 भाषया ‘ कोतवाल ’ इत्याख्यस्य ’ इति भूषणा । त्वदपेक्षया । त्वदनुरोधेनेत्यर्थः । वयमिति
 द्वयोरपि बहुवचनम् । ‘ अस्मदो द्वयोश्च ’ इति । दर्वाकरेण सर्पेण । (१३२ पृष्ठे द्रष्टव्यम् ।)

णामुष्मिन्समागृहकोणे । यदि वः कश्चिन्मन्त्रवित्कृपालुः स एनमु-
ज्जीवयन्मम प्राणानाहरेदनाथायाः ' इति । साऽपि बाला गत्यन्तरा-
भावाद्भयगद्गदस्वरा बाष्पदुर्दिनाक्षी बद्धवेपथुः कथंकथमपि गत्व
मदुक्तमन्वतिष्ठत् । अशयिषि चाहं भावितविषविक्रियः । तेषु कश्चि-
न्नेन्द्राभिमानी मां निर्वर्ण्य मुद्रातन्त्रमन्त्रध्यानादिभिश्चोपक्रम्याकृतार्थः
' गत एवायं कालदष्टः । तथा हि स्तब्धश्यावमङ्गम्, रुद्धा दृष्टिः,
शान्त एवोष्मा । शुचाऽलं वासु, श्वोऽग्निसात्कारिष्यामः । कोऽतिवर्तते
दैवम् ' इति सहेतरैः प्रायात् ।

उत्थितश्चाहमुदारकाय तां नत्वाऽब्रवीत्—'अहंस्मि कोऽपि त
स्करः । त्वद्गतेनैव चेतसा सहायभूतेन त्वामिमामभिसरन्तीमन्तरोप-
लभ्य कृपया त्वत्समीपमनैषम् । भूषणमिदमस्याः' इत्यंशुपटल-
पाटितध्वान्तजाळे तदप्यर्पितवान् । उदारकस्तु तदादाय सलज्जं च
सहर्षं च ससंभ्रमं च मामभाषत—' आर्य, त्वयैवेयमस्यां निशि
प्रिया मे दत्ता । वाक्पुनर्ममापहृता । तथा हि न जाने वक्तुम् । त्वत्कर्मै-
तदद्भुतमिति । इदं ननु ते स्वशीलमद्भुतवत्प्रतिभाति । नैवमन्येनापि कृत
पूर्वमिति प्रतिनियतैव वस्तुशक्तिः । न हि त्वय्यन्यदीया लोभादयः ।

सभागृहं बहुतरजनावस्थानगृहं तस्य कोणे । मन्त्रविन्मान्त्रिकः । गत्यन्तराभावा-
दुपायान्तराभावात् । बाष्पदुर्दिनाक्षी बाष्पव्याप्तनेत्रा । बद्धवेपथुः प्रासकम्पा ।
अशयिषि शयितवान् । भाविता प्रकाशिता विषविक्रिया विषविकारो येनेति ।
नरेन्द्रो विषवैद्यः । ' नरेन्द्रो वार्तिके राज्ञि विषवैद्येऽपि कथ्यते ' इति विश्वः ।
निर्वर्ण्य निरीक्ष्य । उपक्रम्य चिकित्सित्वा । ' उपक्रमश्चिकित्सा स्यात् ' इति
वैजयन्ती । तथा हीति । स्तब्धं निश्चेष्टं श्यावं श्यामलम् । ' श्याववर्णः कपिशवर्णः ।
' श्यावास्यता विषकृता ' इति मात्रवाचार्यः । ' इति भूषणा । अग्निसादग्न्यधीकम् ।
उदारकाय धनमित्रनाम्ने । तस्करश्चौरः । अन्तरा मार्गमध्ये । अंशुपटलेन किरण-
जालेन पाटितं नाशितं ध्वान्तजालमन्धकारसमूहो येनेति तथा । प्रिया दत्ता वागप-
हतेत्यत्र परिवृत्तिरलंकारः । ' परिवृत्तिर्विनिमयो न्यूनाभ्याधिकयोर्मिथः ' इति लक्ष-
णात् । तथा हीत्यादिना काव्यलिङ्गमपि । न जाने इति । ' यदिदमद्भुतं त्वत्कर्म
वक्तुं न जाने न शक्नोमि । स्वप्रतिभाया अभावात् । एवं च वाणी हतैवेति स्पष्टम् ' इति
भूषणा । न ते स्वशीलमिति । ' इदं द्रव्यस्य प्रियायाश्च समर्पणं ते चौर-
त्वेन व्यवहृतस्य स्वशीलं स्वभावो न भवतीत्यतोऽद्भुतवत्प्रतिभाति ' इति भूषणा ।

त्वयाऽद्य साधुतोन्मीलितेति तत्प्रायस्त्वत्पूर्वावदानेभ्यो न रोचते ।
 दृष्टमिदानीमौदार्यस्य स्वरूपमिति त्वदाशयमननुमान्य न युक्तो निश्चयः ।
 त्वयाऽमुना सुकृतेन क्रीतोऽयं दासजन इत्यसारमतिगरीयसा क्रीणा-
 'सीति स ते प्रज्ञाधिक्षेपः । प्रियादानस्य प्रतिदानमिदं शरीरमिति तद-
 छाभे निधनोन्मुखमिदमपि त्वयैव दत्तम् । अथ वैतावदत्र प्राप्तुरूपम् ।
 अद्यप्रभृति भर्तव्योऽयं दासजनः ' इति मम पादयोरपतत् । उत्थाप्य
 चैनमुरसोपश्लिष्यामाषिषि—' भद्र, काऽद्य ते प्रतिपत्तिः ' इति ।
 सोऽभ्यधत्त—' न शक्नोमि चैनामत्र पित्रोरनभ्यनुज्ञयोपयम्य जीवितुम् ।
 अतोऽस्यामेव यामिन्यां देशमिमं जिहासामि । को वाऽहम्, यथा त्वमा-
 ज्ञापयसि' इति । अथ मयोक्तम्—' अस्त्येतत् । स्वदेशो देशान्तरमिति
 नेयं गणना विदग्धस्य पुरुषस्य । किं तु बालेयमनल्पसौकुमार्या, कष्टाः
 प्रत्यवायभूयिष्ठाश्च कान्तारपथाः । शैथिल्यमिव किञ्चित्प्रज्ञासत्त्वयोरन-
 र्थेनेदृशेन देशत्यागेन संभाव्यते । तत्सहानया सुखमिहैव वस्तव्यम् ।
 एहि । नयावैनां स्वमेवावासम्' इति । अविचारानुमतेन तेन सद्य एवैनां
 तद्गृहमुपनीय तयैवापसर्पभूतया तत्र मृद्भाण्डावशेषमचोरयाव । ततो
 निष्पत्य क्वचिन्मुषितैकं निधाय समुच्चलन्तौ नागरिकसंपाते मार्गपार्श्व-

प्रतिनियता विषयविशेषनिष्ठा । तत्तद्व्यक्तिविश्रान्तेत्यर्थः । तत्प्राय इति । इदं
 द्रव्यस्य प्रियायाश्च समर्पणं पूर्वावदानेभ्यः पूर्वजातकर्मभ्यो न रोचते । ' रुच्यर्थानां—'
 इति चतुर्थी । 'कर्मणां न शोभते इत्यत्र तात्पर्यम्' इति भूषणा । अवदानं महत्कर्म ।
 त्वदाशयं त्वदभिप्रायम् । अननुमान्यानुमतिमकारयित्वा । अतिगरीयसा बहुतरेण ।
 क्रीणासि गृह्णासि । प्रज्ञाधिक्षेपो बुद्धिनिन्दा । निधनं मरणम् । इदं मच्छरीरम् ।
 प्राप्तुरूपं प्रशस्तं प्राप्तम् । प्रशंसायां रूपम् । उपश्लिष्याल्लिङ्ग्य । प्रतिपत्तिः
 कर्तव्यम् । जिहासामि त्यक्तुमिच्छामि । अथेति । विदग्धस्य चतुरस्य ।
 " बालेयमित्यादि विषमालंकारः । ' विषमं वर्ण्यते यत्र घटनाऽननुरूपयोः '
 इति लक्षणात् " इति गूष्णा । अनल्पसौकुमार्या अत्यन्तसुकुमारित्यर्थः । प्रत्यवायो
 बाधकम् । कान्तारपथा वनमार्गाः । ' ऋक्पूरब्धूः—' इत्यदन्तता । शैथिल्यं शिथि-
 लता । ' इव एवार्थे ' इति भूषणा । सत्त्वं बलम् । आज्ञासं गृहम् । अपसर्पभूतया
 चरभूतया । ' अपसर्पेश्वरः स्पशः' इत्यमरः । तत्र नगरे । तत इति । क्वचि-
 त्प्रदेशे । मुषितकं चोरितं वस्तुजातम् । नागरिकसंपाते नगरस्य लोकसंमर्दे । 'नगर-

शायिनं कचिन्मत्तवारणमुपरिपुरुषमाकृष्याध्यारोहाव । प्रैवेयप्रोत-
पादयुगलेन च मयोत्थाप्यमान एव पातिताधोरणपृथुलोरःस्थलपरिणतः
पुरीतल्लतापरीतदन्तकाण्डः स रक्षिकबलमक्षिणोत् । अध्वंसयाव चामु-
नैवार्थपतिमवनम् । अपवाह्य च कचन जीर्णोद्याने शाखाग्राहिकया-
ऽवातराव । स्वगृहगतौ च स्नातौ शयनमध्यशिश्न्रियाव ।

तावदेवोदगादुदधेरुदयाचलेन्द्रपद्मरागशृङ्गकल्पं कल्पद्रुमहेमपल्लवा
पीडपाटलं पतङ्गमण्डलम् । उत्थाय च धौतवक्त्रौ प्रगेतनानि मङ्गलान्यनु-
ष्ठायास्मत्कर्मतुमुलं पुरमनुविचरन्तावशृणुव वरवधूगृहेषु कोलाहलम् ।
अथार्थैरर्थपतिः कुबेरदत्तमाश्रास्य कुलपालिकाविवाहं • मासावधिकमक-
ल्पयत् । उपहरे पुनरित्यशिक्षयं धनमित्रम्—‘ उपतिष्ठ सखे एकान्त
एव चर्मरत्नभस्त्रिकामिमां पुरस्कृत्याङ्गराजम् । आचक्ष्व च—‘ जानात्येव
देवो नैककोटिसारस्य वसुमित्रस्य मां धनमित्रं नमैकपुत्रम् । सोऽहं मूल-
हरत्वमेत्यार्थिवर्गादस्म्यवज्ञातः । मदर्धमेव संवर्षितायां कुलपालिकायां
महारिद्यदोषात्पुनः कुबेरदत्तेन दुहितर्यर्थपतये दित्सितायामुद्वेगा-

रक्षकपुरुषसंपाते ’ इति भू० । उपरिपुरुषमाधोरणम् । “ उपरिपुरुषं पुरुषोन्मानाद-
धिकम् । आकृष्य गजपृष्ठस्थां रज्जुम् । मत्तगजे सर्वकालं रज्ज्वा नियन्त्रितत्वात् ”
इति तु भूषणा । प्रैवेयं कण्ठरज्जुः । ‘ कुलकुक्षि-’ इति ढकञ् । भाषया ‘ किलावा ’
इति प्राक्षिप्तम् । प्रोतं प्रवेशितम् । पातितो य आधोरणो हस्तिपक्षस्तस्य पृथुलं
विशालं यदुरःस्थलं तत्र परिणतो दन्तेन तिर्यक्प्रदारी । ‘ तिर्यग्दन्तप्रहारस्तु गजः
परिणतो मतः ’ इति हलायुधः । पुरीतल्लताऽन्त्रवल्ली । ‘ अन्त्रं पुरीतत् ’ इत्यमरः । तामिः
परीतं व्याप्तं दन्तकाण्डं यस्येति तथा । अक्षिणोःक्षपितवान् । शाखाग्राहिकया शाखा
गृहीत्वेत्यर्थः । अध्यशिश्न्रियावाधिष्ठितवन्तौ । तावदिति । पद्मरागो रक्तमणि-
स्तस्य शृङ्गं शिखरं तत्कल्पं तदीषन्न्यूनम् । कल्पद्रुमस्य हेमपल्लवाः सुवर्णपल्लवास्तेषा-
मापीडः समूहः तद्वत् पाटलमनेकवर्णम् । ‘ श्वेतरक्तस्तु पाटलः ’ इत्यमरः ।
पतङ्गमण्डलं सूर्यबिम्बम् । प्रगेतनानि प्रातःकालेचितानि । तुमुलं व्याकुलरवम् ।
अथेति । अर्थपतिर्वरः । कुबेरदत्तं कन्यापितरम् । मासावधिकम् । मासोत्तरमि-
त्यर्थः । उपहरे । ‘ रहोऽन्तिकमुपहरे ’ इत्यमरः । चर्मरत्नमुत्तमचर्मं तस्य भस्त्रिका
प्रसेविका ‘ भाता ’ इति भाषया प्रसिद्धा । नैककोटिसारस्य । अनेककोटिद्रव्यस्येत्यर्थः ।
वसुमित्रस्यैकपुत्रम् । ‘ मूलहरत्वं मूलद्रव्यनाशकत्वं काष्ठग्राहकत्वं वा ’
इति भूषणा । कुलपालिकायां कन्यायाम् । ‘ कन्या तु कुलपालिका ’ इत्यमरः ।
दित्सितायां दातुमिष्टायाम् । उद्वेगाच्छोकात् । ‘ उद्वेगौ शोकसंभ्रमौ ’ इति

दुःखितुमसूनुपनगरभवं जरद्वनमवगाह्य कण्ठन्यस्तशस्त्रिकः केनापि जटाधरेण निवार्यैवमुक्तः—‘ किं ते साहसस्य मूलम् ’ इति । मयोक्तम्—‘ अवज्ञासोदर्यं दारिद्र्यम् ’ इति । स पुनरेवं कृपालु-रन्वग्रहीत्—‘ तात, मूढोऽसि । नान्यत्पापिष्ठतममात्मस्यागात् । आत्मानमात्मनाऽनवसाद्यैवोद्धरन्ति सन्तः । सन्त्युपाया धनार्जनस्य बहवः, नैकोऽपि छिन्नकण्ठप्रतिसंधानपूर्वस्य प्राणलाभस्य । किम-नेन । सोऽस्म्यहं मन्त्रसिद्धः । साधितेयं लक्षग्राहिणी चर्मरत्न-भस्त्रिका । चिरमहमस्याः प्रसादात्कामरूपेषु कामप्रदः प्रजानामवा-त्सलम् । मत्सरिण्यां जरसि भूमिस्वर्गमत्रोद्देशे प्रवेक्ष्यन्नागतः । तामिमां प्रतिगृहाण । मदन्यत्र चेयं वणिग्भ्यो वारमुख्याभ्यो वा दुग्धे इति हि तद्रता प्रतीतिः । किं तु यत्सकाशादन्यायापहृतं तत्तस्मै प्रत्यर्प-णीयम् । न्यायार्जितं तु देवब्राह्मणेभ्यस्त्याज्यम् । अथेयं देवतेव शुचौ देशे निवेश्यार्च्यमाना प्रातःप्रातः सुवर्णपूर्णैव दृश्यते । स एष कल्पः ’ इति बद्धाञ्जलये मह्यमेना दत्त्वा किमपि प्रावच्छिद्रं प्रावि-शत् । इयं च रत्नभूता चर्मभस्त्रिका देवायानिवेद्य नोपजीव्येत्या-नीता । परं तु देवः प्रमाणम् ’ इति । राजा च नियतमेव वक्ष्यति—

वैजयन्ती । जरद्वनं प्रचाररहितं वनम् । साहसस्योद्योगस्य । अवज्ञा हेतुना तस्याः सोदर्यं बन्धुरिव स्थितमित्यर्थः । स इति । स जटाधरः । तात अर्भकेत्यर्थः । ‘ तातस्तु जनकेऽर्भके ’ इति कोशः । अनवसाद्याविनाश्य । एकोऽप्युपायः । छिन्नो यः कण्ठस्तस्य यत्प्रतिसंधानं पुनःसंबन्धस्तत्पूर्वस्य प्राणलाभस्य प्राणप्राप्तेः । नेति नास्तीत्यर्थः । किमनेन प्राणत्यागेन । लक्षग्राहिणी लक्षं प्राह्यतीति तथा । कामरूपेषु एतदाह्यदेशेषु । अवात्सं वसतिमकरवम् । मत्सरिण्यां मत्सरकारिण्याम् । जरसि कर्दके । भूमिस्वर्गं भूम्यां स्वर्गं इव भूमिस्वर्गस्तम् । अत्रोद्देशोऽस्मिन्प्रदेशे । इमां चर्मरत्नभस्त्रिकां । मदन्यत्र मां विहायान्यत्रेत्यर्थः । दुग्धे ‘ दुह प्रपूर्णे ’ । पूरयतीत्यर्थः । इत्येवम् । तद्रता चर्मभस्त्रिकागता । प्रतीतिः ख्यातिः । अथेयमिति । अर्च्यमाना पूज्यमाना । प्रातःप्रातरिति ह्रीसायां द्विर्वचनम् । प्रतिप्रातःकाले इत्यर्थः । कल्पः प्रकारः । प्रावच्छिद्रं पर्वतच्छिद्रम् । ‘ अग्निगोत्रगितिप्रावाचलशैलशिलेच्छयाः ’ इत्यमरः । अनिवेद्या-कथयित्वा । नोपजीव्योपजीवितुमशक्या । प्रमाणं निर्णयकर्ता । अभ्युपेक्ष्य-

‘ भद्र, प्रीतोऽस्मि । गच्छ । यथेष्टमिमामुपमुक्ष्व ’ इति । भूयश्च ब्रूहि—
‘ यथा न कश्चिदेनां मुष्णाति तथाऽनुगृह्यताम् ’ इति । तदप्यवश्य-
मसावभ्युपेक्ष्यति । ततः स्वगृहमेत्य यथोक्तमर्थत्यागं कृत्वा दिने दिने
वरिवस्यमानां स्तेयलब्धैरर्थैर्नक्तमापूर्य प्राह्णे लोकाय दर्शयिष्यासि ।
ततः कुबेरदत्तस्तृणाय मत्वाऽर्थपतिमर्थलुब्धः कन्यकया स्वयमेव त्वामुप-
स्थास्यति । अथ कुपितोऽर्थपतिर्व्यवहर्तुमर्थगर्वादभियोक्ष्यते । तं च
भूयश्चित्रैरुपायैः कौपीनावशेषं करिष्यावः । स्वकं चौर्यमनेनैवाभ्युपायेन
सुप्रच्छन्नं भविष्यति ’ इति । हृष्टश्च धनमित्रो यथोक्तमन्वतिष्ठत् ।
तदहरेव मन्त्रियोगाद्विमर्दकोऽर्थपतिसेवाभियुक्तस्तस्योदारिके वैरमभ्यव-
र्धयत् । अर्थलुब्धश्च कुबेरदत्तो निवृत्त्यर्थपतेर्धनमित्रायैव तनयां
सानुनयं प्रादित्सत । प्रत्यबध्नाच्चार्थपतिः ।

एषेव दिवसेषु काममञ्जरीः स्वसा यवीयसी रागमञ्जरी नाम पञ्च-
वीरगोष्ठे संगीतकमनुष्ठास्यतीति सान्द्रादरः समागमन्नागरजनः । स
चाहं सह सख्या धनमित्रेण तत्र संन्यधिषि । प्रवृत्तनृत्यायां च तस्यां
द्वितीयं रङ्गपीठं ममाभून्मनः । तदृष्टिविभ्रमोत्पलवनसञ्चापाश्रयश्च पञ्च-

त्यङ्गीकरिष्यति । तत इति । अर्थत्यागं द्रव्यदानम् । वरिवस्यमानां सेव्य-
मानाम् । ‘ वरिवस्या तु शुश्रूषा ’ इत्यमरः । स्तेयलब्धैरर्थप्राप्तैः । कुबेरदत्तः
कन्यापिता । तृणाय मत्वा तृणप्रायं मत्वा ज्ञात्वा । ‘ मन्यकर्मण्यनादरे विभाषाऽप्रा-
णिषु ’ इति चतुर्थी । उपस्थास्यत्याराधयिष्यति । अथेति । अर्थगर्वाद्बुध्यो-
न्मादात् । अभियोक्ष्यते द्वेषं करिष्यति । ‘ अभियोगः स्मृतो द्वेषः ’ इति । तमर्थ-
पतिम् । चित्रैरनेकैः । तद्विति । तदहरेव तस्मिन्नेव दिवसे । विमर्दक एतन्नाम्ना
ख्यातः । अर्थपतिसेवायामभियुक्तः संनद्धः । तस्यार्थपतेः । उदारिके धनमित्रे ।
वैरं द्वेषम् । अभ्यवर्धयदभिवर्धितवान् । प्रादित्सत दत्तवान् । प्रत्यबध्नात् प्रति-
बन्धं चकारेत्यर्थः । एष्विति । पञ्चवीरगोष्ठे जानपदे सदसि । ‘ तत्पञ्चवीरगोष्ठं
तु यत्तु जानपदं सदः ’ इति कोशसारः । संगीतकं गीतादि । ‘ गीतं वाद्यं च नृत्यं
च त्रिभिः संगीतमुच्यते ’ इति संगीतसर्वस्वे । अहमपहारवर्मा । तत्र सभायाम् ।
रङ्गपीठं नृत्यस्थानम् । तस्या दृष्टिस्तदृष्टिस्तस्या विभ्रमा एव उत्पलवनं तदृष्टिवि-
भ्रमोत्पलवनं तदेव सञ्चापं समीचीनं धनुः तस्याश्रयो यस्य सः । अत्र सञ्चापाश्रयेति

शरो भावरसाना सामग्र्यात्समुदितबल इव मामतिमात्रमव्यथयत् ।
अथासौ नगरदेवतेव नगरमोषरोषिता लीलाकटाक्षमालाशृङ्खलाभिर्नीलोत्पल-
पलाशश्यामलाभिर्ममबध्नात् । नृत्योत्थिता च सा सिद्धिलाभशोभिनी—
किं विलासात्, किमभिलाषात्, किमकस्मादेव वा, न जाने—असकृन्मां
सखीभिरप्यनुपलक्षितेनापाङ्गप्रोक्षितेन सविभ्रमारेचितभ्रूलतमभिर्वाक्ष्य,
सापदेशं च किञ्चिदाविष्कृतदशनचन्द्रिकं स्मित्वा, लोकलोचनमानसानु-
याता प्रातिष्ठत् ।

सोऽहं स्वगृहमेत्य दुर्निवारयोत्कण्ठया दूरीकृताहारस्पृहः शिरः-
शूलस्पर्शनमपार्दिशन्विविक्ते तल्पे मुक्तैरवयवैरशयिषि । अति-
निष्णातश्च मदनतन्त्रे मामभ्युपेत्य धनमित्रो रहस्यकथयत्—
‘सखे, सैव धन्या गणिकादारिका, यामेवं भवन्मनोऽभिनिवेशते ।
तस्याश्च मया सुलक्षिता भाववृत्तिः । तामप्यचिरादयुग्मशरः शरशयने
शाययिष्यति । स्थानाभिनिवेशिनोश्च वामयलसाध्यः समागमः । किं तु

पाठः प्रामादिको दुर्बोध्यतया हेयश्च । भावरसानाम् । भावा विभावादयः । रसाः
शृङ्गारादयः । ‘बाष्पार्थालम्बनो यस्तु विकारो मानसो भवेत् । स भावः कथ्यते
सद्भिस्तत्स्योत्कर्षो रसः स्मृतः ॥’ इति इलायुधः । सामग्र्यात् संपूर्णतया । समुदितबल
इव मिलितबल इव । अतिमात्रं निर्भरम् । ‘अन्निमात्रोद्वाढनिर्भरम्’ इत्यमरः । अथेति ।
असौ रागमज्जरी । नगरमोषो नगरचोर्ये तेन रोषितेव लुब्धेव । लीलाकटाक्षमाला
एव शृङ्खलास्ताभिः । नीलोत्पलपलाशानि नीलोत्पलपत्राणि । ‘पत्रं पलाशं छदनं
दलं पर्णं छदः पुमान्’ इत्यमरः । तद्वच्छ्यामलाः कृष्णवर्णाः । ‘कालश्यामलमेचकाः’
इत्यमरः । सिद्धिलाभशोभिनी समृद्धिफलप्राप्तिशोभिनी । अनुपलक्षितेनाज्ञातेन ।
आरोचितभ्रूलतं वक्त्रीकृतभ्रूलतमिति क्रियाविशेषणम् । सापदेशं सव्याजम् । लोकानां
लोचनानि नेत्राणि मानसानि चित्तानि तैरनुयातानुगतानि । सोऽहमिति । दूरी-
कृता त्यक्ता आहारस्पृहा भक्षणेच्छा येनेति तथा । शिरःशूलस्पर्शनं शिरोवेदना-
प्राप्तिम् । विविक्ते बिजने । अतिनिष्णातोऽतिनिपुणः । ‘निष्णातो निपुणोऽभिज्ञः’
इति वैजयन्ती । ‘निनदीभ्यां ज्ञातेः कौशले’ इति षत्वम् । मदनतन्त्रे मदनशास्त्रे ।
भाववृत्तिश्चित्तवृत्तिः । अयुग्मशरो विषमबाणः मदन इत्यर्थः । शाययिष्यति स्वाप-
यिष्यति । गिजन्तम् । स्थानाभिनिवेशिनोर्युक्ताभिनिवेशिनोः । ‘युक्ते द्वे साप्रतं
स्थाने’ इत्यमरः । गणिकानां वेद्यानां यः स्वधर्मः शुष्कादिप्रहणरूपस्तेन

सा किल वारकन्यका गणिकास्वधर्मप्रतीपगामिना भद्रोदारेणाशयेन समगिरत—‘ गुणशुल्काऽहम्, न धनशुल्का । न च पाणिग्रहणादृते-
ऽन्यभोग्यं यौवनम् ’ इति । तच्च मुहुः प्रतिषिध्याकृतार्था तद्भागेनी
काममञ्जरा माता च माधवसना राजानमश्रुकण्ठ्यौ व्यानेज्जपताम्—
‘ देव युष्मद्दासी रागमञ्जरी रूपानुरूपशीलशिल्पकौशला पूरयिष्यति
मनोरथानित्यामीदस्माकमतिमहत्याशा । साऽद्य मूलच्छिन्ना । यदियमति-
कम्प्य स्वकुलधर्ममर्थनिरपेक्षा गुणैभ्य एव स्वं यौवनं विचिकीषते ।
कुञ्जस्त्रीवृत्तमेवाच्युनमनुतिष्ठासति । सा चेदियं देवपादाज्ञयाऽपि ताव-
त्प्रकृतिमापद्येत तदा पेशलं भवेत् ’ इति । राज्ञा च तदनुगोधात्तथाऽनु-
शिष्टा मत्पत्न्यनाश्रवैव सा यदाऽऽपीतदाऽस्याः स्वसा माता च रुदित-
निर्वन्धेन राज्ञे समगिरिताम्—‘ यदि काश्चिद्भुजङ्गोऽस्मदिच्छया विनैनां
बालां विप्रलम्भ्य नाशयिष्यति स तस्करवद्वध्यः ’ इति । तदेवं स्थिते
धनादृते न तत्स्वजनोऽनुपन्यते । न तु धनदायासावभ्युपगच्छतीति
विचिन्त्योऽत्रःभ्युपायः ’ इति । अथ मयोक्तम्—‘ किमत्र चिन्त्यम् ।
गुणैस्तामावर्ज्य गूढं धनैस्तत्स्वजनं तोषयावः ’ इति ।

ततश्च कांचित्काममञ्जर्याः प्रधानदूतीं धर्मरक्षितां नाम शाक्य-
भिक्षुकीं चीवरपिण्डदानादिनोपसंगृह्य तन्मुखेन तथा बन्धव्या पण-
बन्धमकरवम्—‘ अजिनरत्नमुदारकान्मुषित्वा मया तुभ्यं देयं, यदि

प्रतीपगामिना विरुद्धवर्तिना । भद्रोदारेण कल्याणोदारेण । आशयेनाभिप्रायेण । समगिरत
अवददित्यर्थः । गुणशुल्का गुणमूल्या । ऋत इत्यवयवं विनैत्यर्थः । अकृतार्थाऽसिद्धार्था ।
व्याजिज्ञपतां विज्ञापयामासतुः । स्वकुलधर्मं धनग्रहणादिम् । विचिकीषते विक्रेतुमिच्छति ।
वृत्ताचरणम् । अच्युते बद्धमूलम् । अनुतिष्ठासत्यनुष्ठातुमिच्छति । प्रकृतिः स्वभावः ।
पेशलं मुकुमारम् । ‘ कुशलम् ’ इति भूषणा । अनाश्रवा । ‘ वचनेस्थित आश्रवः ’
इत्यमरः । तथा न भवतीत्यर्थः । यदीति । भुजङ्गो विटः । “ विलासी । ‘ भुजङ्गो-
ऽहिविलसिनोः ’ इति विश्वः । ” इति भूषणा । विप्रलम्भ्य प्रतार्य । तत्स्वजनस्तन्मा-
त्रादेः । धनदाय वित्तदायिने । तां कन्यकां गुणैरावर्ज्य वशीकृत्य । तत्स्वजनं
तन्मात्रादिकम् । ततश्चेति । प्रधानदूतीं मुख्यदूतीम् । शाक्यभिक्षुकीं बौद्ध-
सिद्धान्ततत्पत्विनीम् । ‘ शाक्यस्तु बौद्धेष्वन्यतमः ’ इति । चीवरपिण्डदाना-
दिना वस्त्रखण्डान्नदानादिना । उपसंगृह्य वशीकृत्य । तथा बन्धव्या कुलटया ।

प्रतिदानं रागमञ्जरी ' इति । सोऽहं संप्रतिपन्नायां च तस्या तथा
तमर्थं संपाद्य मद्गुणोन्मादिताया रागमञ्जर्याः करकिमलयमग्रहीषम् ।
यस्यां च निशि चर्मरत्नस्तेयवादस्तस्याः प्रारम्भे कार्यान्तरापदेशना-
हूतेषु शृण्वत्स्वेव नागरमुख्येषु मत्प्रणिधिर्विमर्दकोऽर्थपतिगृह्यो नाम
भूत्वा धनमित्रमुलङ्घ्य बहूतर्जयत् । उक्तं च धनमित्रेण—' भद्र
कर्त्तव्यार्थो यत्परस्य हेतोर्माक्रोशसि । न स्मरामि स्वल्पमपि तवाप-
कारं मत्कृतम् ' इति । स भूयोऽपि तर्जयन्निवाब्रवीत्—'स एष धनगर्वो
नाम यत्परस्य भार्या शुल्कक्रीतां पुनस्तत्पितरौ द्रव्येण विलोभ्य
स्वीचिर्कार्षिणिः । ब्रवीषि च—' कस्तवापकारो मत्कृतः ' इति । ननु
प्रतीतमेवैतत् ' सार्थवाहस्याथपतेर्विमर्दको बहिश्चराः प्राणाः ' इति ।
सोऽहं तत्कृते प्राणानपि परित्यजामि । ब्रह्महत्यामपि न परिहरामि ।
ममैकरात्रजागरप्रतीकारस्तवैष चर्मरत्नाहंकारदाहज्वरः ' इति । तथा
ब्रुवाणश्च पौरमुख्यैः सामर्थ्यं निषिद्ध्यापत्राहितोऽभूत् । इयं च वार्ता
कृत्रिमार्तिना धनमित्रेण चर्मरत्ननाशमादावेवोपक्षिप्य पार्थिवाय निवे-
दिता । स चार्थपतिमाहूयोपहरे पृष्ठवान्—' अङ्ग किमस्ति कश्चिद्वि-
मर्दको नामात्रभवतः ' इति । तेन च मूढात्मना ' अस्ति देव परं
मित्रम् । कश्च तेनर्थः ' इति कथिते राज्ञोक्तम्—' अपि शक्तोपि
तमाह्वातुम् ' इति । ' बाढमस्मि शक्तः ' इति निर्गत्य स्वगृहे
वेशावटे द्यूतसभायामापणे च निपुणमन्त्रिप्यत्रोपलब्धवान् । कथं वो-

प्रतिदानं प्रत्याग्राहदानम् । संप्रतिपन्नायां सम्यगङ्गीकृतायाम् । तनर्थं चर्मभस्त्रिका-
दानरूपम् । मद्गुणोन्मादितायाः । करकिमलयं पाणिपल्लवम् । यस्यां चेति ।
कार्यान्तरापदेशेन कार्यान्तरव्याजेन । मत्प्रणिधिर्गृहपुष्पो विमर्दको नाम । अर्थ-
पतिगृह्यो तत्पक्षस्थो भूत्वा । धनमित्रमुदारकनामानम् । उलङ्घ्यातिक्रम्य । परस्य
हेतोः । परार्थमित्यर्थः । ' षष्ठी हेतुप्रयोगे ' इति षष्ठी । आक्रोशसि निन्दसि । प्रतीतं
प्रसिद्धम् । न परिहरामि । अङ्गीकरोमीति भावः । एकरात्रेति । एकरात्रं जागरः
जागरणमेव प्रतीकारो यस्य । एकेनैव जागरेण चर्मरत्नापहारादाहज्वरं दूरीकरो-
मीति भावः । उपत्राहितो निराकृतः । " उपक्षिप्य प्रस्तावं कृत्वा । ' प्रस्तावः स्यादुप-
क्षेपे ' इति वैजयन्ती " ६० भू० । कृत्रिमा भार्तिः पीडा यस्येति तेन । चर्मरत्ननाशं
चर्मरत्नचोरणरूपम् । उपक्षिप्य प्रस्ताव्य । स चेति राजा । उपहरे एकान्ते ।
अङ्गत्यान्त्रणेऽव्ययम् । बाढमित्यङ्गीकारे । वेशावटे वेश्यागृहमार्गे ।

पलभ्येत स वराकः । स खलु विमर्दको मद्गाहितत्वदभिज्ञानचिह्नो
मन्नियोगात्त्वदन्वेषणायोज्जयिनीं तदहरेव प्रातिष्ठत । अर्थपतिस्तु तम-
दृष्ट्वा तत्कृतमपराधमात्मसंबद्धं मत्वा मोहाद्भयाद्वा प्रत्याख्याय
पुनर्धनमित्रेण विभाविते कुपितेन राज्ञा निगृह्य निगडबन्धनमनीयत ।

तेष्वेव दिवसेषु विधिना कल्पोक्तेन चर्मरत्नं दोग्धुकामा काम-
मञ्जरी पूर्वदुग्धं क्षपणीभूतं विरूपकं रहस्युपसृत्य ततोऽण्डहृतं सर्वमर्थ-
जातं तस्मै प्रत्यर्प्य सप्रश्रयं च बह्वनुनीय प्रत्यागमत् । सोऽपि
कथंचिन्निर्ग्रन्थिकग्रहान्मोचितात्मा मदनुशिष्टो हृष्टतमः स्वधर्ममेव
प्रत्यपद्यत । काममञ्जर्यपि कतिपयैरेवाहोभिरश्मन्तकशेषमजिनरत्न-
दोहाशया स्वमभ्युदयमकरोत् । अथ मत्प्रयुक्तो धनमित्रः पार्थिवं
मित्रो व्यज्ञापयन्—‘देव येयं गणिका काममञ्जरी लोभोत्कर्षालोभ-
मञ्जरीति लोकापक्राशपात्रमार्मात्साऽद्य मुशलोलूखलान्याप । नर-
पेक्षं त्यजति । तन्मन्ये मच्चर्मरत्नैलाभहेतुः । तस्य खलु कल्प-
स्तादृशः । गणिग्भ्या वाग्मुख्याभ्यश्च दुग्धे नान्येभ्य इति हि
तद्वता प्रतीतिः । अतोऽमुष्यामस्ति मे शक्ना ’ इति । सा सद्य एव राज्ञा
सह जनन्या समाहूयत । व्यथितवर्णेनेव मयोपहरे कथितम्—

स वराकस्तुच्छोऽर्थपतिः । मद्गाहितेति । मयाऽपहारवर्मणा ग्राहितमङ्गीकारितं
त्वदभिज्ञानचिह्नं तव राजवाहनस्याभिज्ञानचिह्नं यस्येति स तथा । मन्नियोगान्म-
माज्ञावशति । प्रातिष्ठन् प्रस्थितवान् । अर्थपतिस्तं विमर्दकम् । तत्कृतं विमर्दक-
कृतम् । आत्मसंबद्धमस्मीयमेव । प्रत्याख्याय विपरीतमुक्त्वा । विभाविते
आविकृते । प्रकटीकृत इत्यर्थः । सप्रश्रयं साविनयम् । ‘सप्रश्रयम्’ इति पाठे
सशपथम् । सोऽपि क्षपणकवेषवारी विरूपकनामा । निर्ग्रन्थिकग्रहाक्षपणक-
सिद्धान्तात् । ‘निर्ग्रन्थोऽर्हः क्षपणकः श्रमणो जिन इत्यपि ।’ इति वैजयन्ती ।
मदनुशिष्टो मया बोधितः । अश्मन्तकं चुङ्क्तिः । ‘अश्मन्तमुद्धानमथिश्रयणी
चुङ्क्तिः श्रितिका’ इत्यमरः । दोहः भुवर्णेन पूरणम् । मत्प्रयुक्तः मनुष्यदिष्टः । लोकोपक्रोश-
पात्रम् । लोकनिन्दापात्रमित्यर्थः । तस्य मच्चर्मरत्नस्य । कल्पः प्रकारः । प्रतीतिः
व्याप्तिः । उपहरे एकान्ते । व्यथितवर्णेनेवेति वकारेण कृत्रिमव्यथात्वं सूचितम् ।

१ लानविलो, २ नृ भ्रमन्, ३ विभावितेन, ४ विधिकल्पेन, ५ निर्ग्रन्थाप्र०;
निर्ग्रन्थाप्रहात्, ६ लाभहेतुस्तस्याः, ७ लाभं हेतुम्, ८ लाभहेतु.

‘ नूनमर्थे सर्वस्वत्यागादतिप्रकाशादाशङ्कनीयचर्मरत्नलाभा तदनु-
योगायाङ्गराजेन सभाहूयसे । भूयोभूयश्च निर्वद्धया त्वया
नियतमस्मि तदागतित्वेनाहमपदेश्यः । ततश्च मे भावी चित्रवधः ।
मृते च मयि न जीविष्यत्येव ते भगिनी । त्वं च निःस्त्रीभूता ।
चर्मरत्नं च धनमित्रमेव प्रतिभजिष्यति । तदियमापत्समन्ततोऽनर्थानु-
बन्धिनी । तत्किमत्र प्रतिविधेयम् ’ इति । तया तज्जनन्या चाश्रूणि
, १ योक्तम्—‘ अस्त्येवैतदस्मद्वालिश्यान्निर्भिन्नप्रायं रहस्यम् । राज्ञश्च
निर्वन्धाद्विस्त्रिश्चतुर्निहृत्यापि नियतमागतिरपदेश्यैव चोरितस्य त्वयि ।
त्वयि त्वंपदिष्टे सर्वमस्मत्कुटुम्बमवसीदेत् । अर्थपतौ च तदपयशो
रूढम् । अङ्गपुरप्रसिद्धं च तस्य कीनाशस्यास्माभिः संगतम् । अमु-
नैव तदस्मभ्यं दत्तमित्यपदिश्यं वग्भात्मा गोपायितुम् ’ इति मर्मभ्युप-
गमय्य राजकुलपगमताम् । राज्ञाऽनुयुक्ते च ‘ नैष न्यायो वेशकुलस्य
यदातुरपदेशः । न ह्यर्थैर्न्यायार्जितैरेव पुरुषा वेशमुपतिष्ठन्ति ’ इत्य-
सकृदतिप्रणुंय कर्णेनासाच्छेदोपक्षेपभीषिताभ्यां दग्धबन्धकीभ्यां स एव
तपस्वी तस्करत्वेनार्थपतिरग्राह्यत । क्लृपितेन च राज्ञा तस्य प्राणे-

नूनमिति । अतिप्रकाशादतिप्रसिद्धात् । आशङ्कनीयश्चर्मरत्नलाभो यस्याः सा ।
तदनुयोगाय तत्प्रश्राय । निर्वद्धया आग्रदृष्टया । तदागतित्वेन चर्मरत्नप्रसिद्धेतुत्वेन ।
अपदेश्यः कथनीयः । तत इति । निःस्त्रीभूता दरिद्रीभूता । अनर्थानु-
बन्धिन्यनर्थकारिणी । अत्रास्मिन्नर्थे । प्रतिविधेयं प्रतिकर्तव्यम् । बालिशस्य
भात्रो बालिशं सूखत्वम् । ‘ द्विस्त्रिश्चतुः इति मुजन्तः पाठः । द्विस्त्रिश्चतुर्वारमित्यर्थः । ’
इति भूषणा । निहृत्य निगूह्य । आगतिरागमनहेतुत्वम् । अपदेश्या कथनीयेत्यर्थः ।
चोरितस्य पदार्थस्य । त्वयि भवद्विषये । अवसीद्देश्येत् । तदपयशस्तच्चर्मरत्न-
चौर्यापयशः । कीनाशस्य क्षुद्रस्य धूर्तस्य वा । अभुनैवार्थपतिनैव । अभ्युपगमय्य
बोधयित्वा । अनुयुक्ते । पृष्टे सतीत्यर्थः । वेशकुलस्य वेशा-
जनस्य । दातुरपदेशो नामग्रहणम् । न्यायार्जितैर्न्यायप्रप्तैः । असकृद्वारंवारम् ।
अतिप्रणुय निहृत्य । कर्णेनासस्य च्छेदस्तस्योपक्षेपः प्रस्तावस्तेन भीषिता-
भ्याम् । क्लृपितेनेति । प्रत्यविध्यत प्रत्यवार्यत । मौयौ राजनीतिकर्ता ।

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६ माभ्युपगमय्य. ७ पृष्ट्य.

पृथतो दण्डः । प्राञ्जलिना धनमित्रेणैव प्रत्यपिध्यत—‘ आर्य,
मौर्यदत्त एष वरो वणिजाम् । ईदृशेष्ववराधेष्वसुभिरवियोगः । यदि
कुपितोऽसि हृतसर्वस्वो निर्वासनीयः पाप एषः ’ इति । तन्मूला च
धनमित्रस्य कीर्तिरप्रथत । अप्रीयत च भर्ता । पटच्चरच्छेदशेषोऽर्थपति-
रर्थमत्तः सर्वपौरजनसमक्षं निरवास्यत । तस्यैव द्रव्याणां तु केन-
चिदवयवेन सा वराकी काममञ्जरी चर्मरत्नमृगतृष्णिकपविद्धसर्वस्वा
सानुकम्पं धनमित्राभिनोदितेन भूयेनान्वगृह्यत । धनमित्रश्चाहनि
गुणिनि कुलपालिकामुपायंस्त । तदेवं सिद्धसंकल्लो रागमञ्जरीगृहं
हेमरत्नपूर्णमकरवम् ।

अस्मिंश्च पुरे ऋषसमृद्धवर्गस्तथा मुषितो यंथां कपालपाणिः
स्वैरेव धनैर्मद्विश्राणितैः समृद्धीकृतस्यार्थिवर्गस्य गृहेषु भिक्षार्थमभ्र-
मत् । न ह्यभ्रमतिनिपुणोऽपि पुरुषो नियतिलिखितां लेखामतिक्रमि-
तुम् । यतोऽहमेकदा रागमञ्जरीः प्रणयकोपप्रशमनाय सानुनयं
पायितायाः पुनः पुनः प्रणयसमर्पितमुखमधुगण्डूषमास्वादमास्वादं
मदेनास्पृश्ये । शीलं हि मदेनादयोरमार्गेणाप्युचितकर्मस्वैव प्रवर्तनम् ।
यदहमुपोढमदः ‘ नगरमिदमेकैव शर्वर्या निर्धनीकृत्य त्वद्भवनं पूर-

निर्वासनीयो बहिःकार्यः । तन्मूला तत्प्राणरक्षणमूला । अप्रथत ख्याता बभूवैत्यर्थः ।
अप्रीयत प्रीतोऽभूदित्यर्थः । पटच्चरच्छेदशेषो जीर्णवस्त्रखण्डावशेषः । तस्यैवेति ।
तस्यार्थपतेः । अवयवेनांशेन । मृगतृष्णिका मरीचिका तयाऽपविद्धं हारितं सर्वस्वं
ययति तथा । अभिनोदितेन प्रेरितेन । गुणिन्यहनि गुणवद्विस इत्यर्थः । ‘ सुहृ-
र्तादिगुणयुक्ते ’ इति भूषणा । उपायंस्त परिणीतवान् । सिद्धसंकल्लोऽहमपहारवर्मा ।
अस्मिन्निति । लुब्धसमृद्धवर्गो लुब्धाश्च ते समृद्धाश्च तेषां वर्गः समूहः । कपालं
खर्परं पाणौ यस्येति तथा । स्वैरात्मायैः । मद्विश्राणितैर्मदुक्तैः । नियतिरदृष्टम् ।
प्रणयकोपः प्रीतिकलहस्तत्प्रशमनाय तन्नाशाय । पायितायाः पानं कारितायाः ।
मुखमधु मुखमयं तद्रण्डूषं पीतोऽज्झितम् । ‘ पीतशेषं तु गण्डूषम् ’ इति हलायुधः ।
आस्वादमास्वादं आस्वाद्यास्वाद्येत्यर्थः । णमुल् । अस्पृश्ये स्पृष्टवानस्मि । उचित-
कर्मस्वभ्यस्तकर्मसु । ‘ अभ्यस्तेऽप्युचिते न्याय्यम् ’ इति वैजयन्ती । प्रवर्तनमनुष्ठानम् ।
यदहमिति । उपोढमदोऽधिकमदः । शर्वर्या रात्र्या । ‘ अथ शर्वरी । निशा

१ ०धेषु नास्वसुभिरवियोगः, २ अभिचाद्वितेन, ३ यायितायाः, पाययितायाः, ४ अनु-
चितः, उपनिग, ५ ददमनयेकया.

येयम् ' इति प्रव्यथितप्रियतमाप्रणामाञ्जलिशपथशततिवर्ता मत्त-
वारण इव रमसच्छिन्नशृङ्खलः कयाऽपि धात्र्या शृगालिकाख्ययाऽनुगम्य-
मानो नातिपरिकरोऽसिद्धितीयो रंहसा परेणोदचलम् । अभिपततोऽपि
नागरिकपुरुषानशङ्कमेव विगृह्य तस्कर इति तैरभिहन्यमानोऽपि नाति-
प्रकुपितः क्रीडन्निव मदावसन्नहस्तपतितेन निखिंशेन द्वित्रानेव हत्वाऽव-
घूर्णमानताम्रदृष्टिरपतम् । अनन्तरमार्तरवान्विसृजन्ती शृगालिका ममा-
र्यासमगमत् । अचध्ये चाहमरिभिः । आपदा तु मदापहारिण्या सद्य
एव बोधितस्तत्क्षणोपजातया प्रतिभया व्यचीचरम्—' अहो
ममेयं मोहमूढा महत्यापदापतिता । प्रभृततरं च सख्यं मया
सह धनमित्रस्य मत्परिग्रहत्वं च रागमञ्जर्याः । मदेनसा च
तौ प्रोर्णुतौ श्वो नियतं निग्रहीष्येते । तदियमिह प्रतिपत्ति-
र्ययाऽनुष्ठीयमानया मन्त्रियोगतस्तौ परित्रास्येते । मां च कदाचिदनर्था-
दितस्तारयिष्यतः ' इति कमप्युपायमात्मनैव निर्णयि शृगालिकामगादि-
पम्—' अपेहि जरतिके । या तामर्थलुब्धां दग्धगणिकां रागमञ्जरिकाम

निशाधिनी रात्रिः ' इत्यमरः । शपथशतमतिक्रम्य वर्तत इति तथा । ' अनेन
मधुपानं कृतमतोऽयमुन्मत्त इत्येतदर्थं तथा शपथादिकं कृतमिति भावः ' इति भूषणा ।
मत्तवारण इव मत्तगज इव । रभसेन वेगेन छिन्ना त्रोटिता शृङ्खला येनेति तथा ।
धात्र्युपमाता । परिकरः परिवारः । रंहसा वेगेन । अभिपततः संमुखमागच्छतः । विगृह्य
युद्धं कृत्वा । अभिहन्यमानस्ताड्यमानः । मदेनावसन्नः शिथिलो यो हस्तस्तस्मात्पतितेन ।
निखिंशेन खड्गेन । ' नृशंसखड्गौ निखिंशौ ' इत्यमरः । अवघूर्णमाना विह्वला ।
अनन्तरमिति । अभ्यासं समीपम् । मदापहारिण्या मदनाशकत्र्या । प्रतिभया
प्रज्ञया । ' प्रज्ञा नवनवोक्तासशालिनी प्रतिभा मता ' इति भरतः । व्यचीचरं विचा-
रितवान् । मोहमूलाऽज्ञानमूला । महत्यातिशयिता । आऽतिता आगता । प्रसृततरं ख्यात-
तरम् । मत्परिग्रहत्वं मत्पत्नीत्वम् । ' परिग्रहस्तु स्वीकारे शापे पत्न्यां परिच्छेदं '
इति महीपः । मदेनसा मत्पापेन । ' कलुषं वृजिनैनोषम् ' इत्यमरः । तौ राग-
मञ्जरीधनमित्रौ । प्रोर्णुतावभिभूतौ । निग्रहीष्येते । निग्रहीतौ भविष्यत इत्यर्थः ।
प्रतिपत्तिः कर्तव्यम् । यया प्रतिपत्त्या । नियोगतो नियमात् । परित्रास्येते परि-
रक्षितौ भविष्यतः । अगादिषमवदम् । अपेहि गच्छेत्यर्थः । जरतिक' वृद्धा ।

१ धूर्तया धात्र्या. २ अभ्याशम्. ३ प्रथिततरं. ४ संप्रोर्णुतौ. ५ निग्राहयिष्येत.
६ ०६५नि. ७ त्वम्.

जिनरत्नपत्तेन शत्रुणा मे मित्रच्छद्मना धनमित्रेण संगमितवती
सा हताऽसि । तस्य पापस्य चर्मरत्नमोषाद्बुद्धितुंश्च ते साराभरणाप-
हारादहमद्य निःशल्यमुत्सृजेयं जीवितम् ' इति । सा पुनरुद्धटितज्ञां
परमधूर्ता साश्रुगद्गदमुदञ्जलिस्तान्पुरुषान्सप्रणाममासादितवती सामपूर्वं
मम पुरस्तादयाचत—' भद्रकाः प्रेतीक्षध्वं कंचित्कालं यावदस्माद-
स्मदीयं सर्वं मुषितमर्थजातमवगच्छेयम् ' इति । तथेति तैः प्रतिपन्ने
पुनर्मत्समीपमासाद्य ' सौम्य क्षमस्वास्य दासीजनस्यैकमपराधम् ।
अस्तु स कामं त्वत्कलत्राभिमर्शां वैरास्पदं धनमित्रः । स्मरंस्तु चिर-
कृतां ते परिचर्यामनुग्रहीतुमर्हसि दासीं रागमञ्जरीम् । आकल्पसारो
हि रूपाजीवौजनः । तद्ब्रूहि कं निहितं तस्या भूषणम् । ' इति पादयो-
रपतत् । ततो दयमान इवाहमब्रुवम्—' भवतु, मृत्युहस्तवार्तिनः
किं ममामुष्यां वैरानुबन्धेन ' इति । तद्ब्रुवन्निव कर्ण एवैनामशिक्षयम्—
' एवमेवं प्रतिपत्तव्यम् ' इति । सा तु प्रतिपन्नार्थेव ' जीव चिरम्,
प्रसीदन्तु ते देवताः, देवोऽप्यङ्गरानः पौरुषप्रीतो मोचयतु त्वाम्, एते-
ऽपि भद्रमुखास्तव दयन्ताम् ' इति क्षणादपासरत् । आनीये चाहमौर-
क्षिकनायकस्य शासनाच्चारकम् ।

या तामिति । मित्रच्छद्मना कपटमित्रेण । संगमितवती संबन्धं कारितवती । तस्य
पापस्य धर्माभ्रस्य । साराभरणानामपहारास्तेयात् । सा १२गालिका ।
उद्धटितज्ञा सूचनज्ञा । ' सूचनमुद्वटनं बोधिः ' इत्यजयः । उदञ्जलिर्बद्धाञ्जलिः ।
भद्रकाः कन्याणरूपाः । मुषितं चोरितम् । प्रतिपन्नेऽङ्गकृते । सः धनमित्रः ।
त्वत्कलत्राभिमर्शां त्वन्कीर्णार्थम् । वैरास्पदं वैरस्थानम् । **स्मरञ्चिति ।** आकल्पसारो
भूषणसारः । ' आकल्पवेष्टा नेपथ्यम् ' इत्यमरः । रूपाजीवा वेष्ट्या । ' वारस्त्री
गणिका वेष्ट्या रूपाजीवा ' इत्यमरः । भवतु किं तेनेत्यर्थः । अमुष्या
रागमञ्जरीः । वैरानुबन्धेन वैरसंबन्धेन । ' अनुबन्धोऽनुवृत्तिः ' इति मृगया । प्रति-
पत्तव्यं कर्तव्यम् । प्रतिपन्नार्थेव प्राप्तार्थेव । पौरुषप्रीतः पुरुषार्थसंतुष्टः । त्वेति त्वामि-
त्यर्थः । तव दयन्तामित्यत्र ' अधीगर्थदयेशां-- ' इति कर्मणि षष्ठी । अपामरदपमृता ।
आरक्षिका रक्षणकारकास्तेषां नायकस्य कोष्ठरालम् । शासनाभियोगात् ।

अथोत्तरेद्युरागत्य दृष्टतः सुभगमानी सुन्दरमन्यः पितुरत्ययाद-
 निराधिष्ठिताधिकारस्तारूप्यमदादनतिपक्वः कान्तको नाम नागरिकः
 किञ्चिदिव भर्त्सयित्वा मां समम्यधत्—‘ न चेद्धनमित्रस्याजिनरत्नं
 प्रतिप्रयच्छसि न चेद्धा नागरिकेभ्यश्चोरितकानि प्रत्यपर्यसि द्रक्ष्यसि
 पारमष्टादशानां कारणानाम्, अन्ते च मृत्युमुखम् ’ इति । मया तु
 समयमानेनाभिहितम्—‘ सौम्य, यद्यपि दद्यामा जन्मनो मुपितं धनं न
 ध्वर्षपतिदारापहारिणः शत्रोर्मे मित्रमुखस्य धनमित्रस्य चर्मरत्नप्रत्याशां
 पूरयेयम् । अदत्तैव तदयुतमपि यातनानामनुभवेयम् । इयं मे साधो-
 यसी संधा ’ इति । तेनैव क्रमेण वर्तमाने सान्त्वनतर्जनप्राये प्रतिदिन-
 मनुयोगव्यतिकरेऽनुगुणान्नपानञ्चामात्कृतिपयैरेवाहोभिर्विरोपितव्रणः प्र-
 कृतिस्थोऽहमासम् ।

अथ कदाचिदच्युताम्बरपीतातपत्विषि क्षयिणि वासरे हृष्टवर्णा
 श्रृगालिकोज्ज्वलेन वेपेणोपसृत्य दूरस्थानुचरा मामुपश्लिष्या-
 ब्रवीत्—‘ आर्य दिष्ट्या वर्धमे । फलिता तव सुनीतिः । यथा

चारकं बन्धनालयम् । अथेति । उत्तरेद्युः परदिवसे । ‘ सद्यःरक्त-’ इति
 निपातः । सुभगमानी सुभगमात्मानं मन्यमानः । ‘ सर्वोन्नतत्वं सौभाग्यं तद्वान्सुभग
 उच्यते ’ इति दिवाकरः । सुन्दरमन्यः सौन्दर्याभिमानो । पितुरत्ययात्पितृनाशात् ।
 अचिराधिष्ठिताधिकारोऽल्पकालप्राप्ताधिकारः । अनतिपक्वोऽनतिपरिणतः । नागरिकः
 कारापतिः । ‘ कारापतिर्नागरिकः ’ इति वैजयन्ती । न चेदिति । कारणानां
 यातनानाम् । ‘ कारणा तु यातना तीव्रवेदना ’ इत्यमरः । समयमानेन स्मितमुखेन ।
 मित्रमुखस्य मित्रच्छन्नः । ‘ मुखं तु वदने मुखे ताम्रे छन्नं वा पुमान् ’ इति
 भागुरिः । प्रत्याशा पुनःप्राप्तीच्छाम् । ‘ प्रत्याशा पुनराप्तीच्छा ’ इति वैजयन्ती ।
 साधीयसी दृढतरा । संधा प्रतिज्ञा । ‘ संधा स्थितौ प्रतिज्ञायाम् ’ इति विश्वः ।
 अनुयोगव्यतिकरे प्रथमप्रकारे । ‘ संपर्कं च व्यतिकरः प्रकारेऽपि ’ इत्यजयः ।
 अनुगुणान्नपानान्नाभादनुकूलाशनपानप्राप्तेः । विरोपितव्रण उपशान्तक्षतः । ‘ विरोपित
 उपशान्तश्चिकित्सितः ’ इति वेपालितः । अथेति । अच्युतो विष्णुस्तस्याम्बरं
 वर्त्तं तद्वत्पीता पिशङ्का आतपत्वेत् उद्गोतम्भा यस्येति । क्षयिणि क्षीणे । वासरे
 दिवसे । हृष्टस्य इव वर्णं अकृतिर्यस्यः सा हृष्टवर्णा । उपश्लिष्य संनिकृष्य ।

त्वयाऽऽदिश्ये तथा धनमित्रमेत्याब्रवीत्—‘ आर्य तवैवमापन्नः सुहृदिष्यु
वाच—‘ अहमद्य वेशसंसर्गमुलभात्पानदोषाद्धन्दः । त्वया पुनरवि-
शङ्कमद्यैव राजा विज्ञापनीयः—‘ देव, देवप्रसादादेव पुराऽपि तदजिन-
रत्नमर्थपतिमुषितमासादितम् । अथ तु भर्ता रागमञ्जर्याः कश्चिदक्ष-
धूर्तः कलासु कवित्वेषु लोकवार्तासु चातिवैचक्षण्यमया समसृज्यत ।
तत्संबन्धाच्च वत्त्राभरणप्रेषणादिना तद्भार्या प्रतिदिनमन्ववर्ते । तद-
सावशङ्किष्ट निकृष्टाशयः कितवः । तेन च कुपितेन हतं तच्चर्मरत्न-
माभरणममुद्रकश्च तस्याः । स तु भूयः स्तेयाय भ्रमन्नगृह्यत नागरिक-
पुरुषैः । आपत्तेन चामुनाऽनुसृत्य रुदत्यै रागमञ्जर्यापरिचारिभ्यां
पूर्वप्रणयानुवर्तिना तद्भाण्डनिधानोद्देशः कथितः । ममापि चर्म-
रत्नमुपायोपक्रान्तो यदि प्रयच्छेदिह देवपादैः प्रसादः कार्यः’ इति ।
तथा निवेदितश्च नरपतिरसुभिर्मावयिष्योपच्छन्दनैरेव स्वं ते दाप-
यितुं प्रयतिष्यते । तन्नः पथ्यम्’ इति । श्रुत्वैव च त्वदनुभावप्रत्य-
यादनतिवस्तुना तेन तत्तयैव संपादितम् । अथाहं त्वदभिज्ञानप्रत्या-
यिताया रागमञ्जर्याः सकाशाद्यथेप्सितानि वैस्तूनि लभमाना राज-
दुहितुरम्बालिकाया धार्त्री माङ्गलिकां त्वदादिष्टेन मार्गेणान्वरञ्जयम् ।
तामेव च संक्रमीकृत्य रागमञ्जर्याश्चाम्बालिकायाः सख्यं परमविवृणुम् ।

आदिश्ये आदिष्टम् । आपन्न आपत्तिं प्राप्तः । ‘ आपन्न आपत्प्रप्तः स्यात्’ इत्यमरः ।
अथ त्विति । अक्षधूर्तोऽक्षनिपुणः । समसृज्यत । संगतोऽभवदित्यर्थः । ‘ अन्ववर्ते
स्वसंबन्धिवर्गवत्सदरमाचरामीति फलितार्थः’ इति भूषणा । असावक्षधूर्तः । नि-
कृष्टाशयः क्षुद्रान्तःकरणः । समुद्रकः संयुक्तः । स्तेयाय चौर्याय । नागरिकपुरुषैः
कारापतिपुल्लैरित्यर्थः । तस्या यद्भाण्डं भूषणम् । ‘ भाण्डं भूषणमन्त्रेऽपि भाण्डं मूल-
वणिग्धने’ इति विश्वः । तस्य निधानोद्देशः स्थापनप्रदेशः । उपायैरुपक्रान्तो वशी-
कृतः । ‘ उपक्रमो वशीकारे समारम्भे चिकित्सने ।’ इति वैजयन्ती । उपच्छन्दनैः
सान्त्वनैः । ‘ सान्त्वनोपच्छन्दने च समावनुनये’ इति केशवः । स्वं चर्मरत्नम् ।
पथ्यमनुगुणम् । त्वदनुभावप्रत्ययात्त्वत्प्रभावज्ञानात् । अनतिवस्तुनाऽतिशयितत्रासरहि-
तेन । ‘ त्रिसृष्टि-’ इति क्वत्प्रत्ययः । तेन धनमित्रेण । अथेति । त्वदभिज्ञानप्रत्या-
यितायास्त्वत्प्रत्यायकवस्तुविश्वसितायाः । संक्रमीकृत्योपायीकृत्य । ‘ प्रत्युपाये संक्रमे च

१ सुहृद्व्युना चैवमादिष्टोऽस्ति. २ निकृष्टाशयतया. ३ परिचारिकायै श्रमालिकायै.

४ त्वदनुभाव. ५ वस्तुनि.

अहरहश्च नवनवानि प्राभृतान्युपहरन्ती कथाश्चित्राश्चित्तहारिणीः कथ-
यन्ती तस्याः परं प्रसादपात्रमासम् । एकदा च हर्म्यगतायास्तस्याः
स्थानस्थितमपि कर्णकुवलयं स्वस्तमिति समादधती प्रमत्तव प्रच्याव्य
पुनरुत्क्षिप्य भूमस्तेनोपकन्यापुरं कारणेन केनापि भवनाङ्गणं प्रविष्टस्य
कान्तकस्योपरि प्रवृत्तकुहरपारावतत्रासनापदेशात्प्रहसन्ती प्राहार्षम् ।
सोऽपि तेन धन्यमन्यैः किञ्चिदुन्मुखः स्मयमानो मत्कर्मप्रहामिताया
राजदुहितुर्विलासप्रायमाकारमात्माभिलाषमूलमिव यथा संकल्पेयत्तथा
मयाऽपि संज्ञयैव किमपि चतुरमाचेष्टितम् । आकृष्टधन्वना च
मनसिजेन विद्धः स दिग्धफलेन पत्रिणाऽतिमुग्धः कथंकथमप्य-
पासरत् । सायं च राजकन्याङ्गुलीयकमुद्रितां वासताम्बूलपट्टां-
शुकयुगलभूषणावयवगर्भा च वैङ्गेरिका कयाचिद्वालिकया ग्राह-
यित्वा रागमञ्जर्या इति नित्वा कान्तकस्यागारमगाम् । अगाधे
च रागसागरे मग्नो नावमिव मामुपलभ्य परमहृष्यत् । अवस्थान्त-
राणि च राजदुहितुः सुदारुणानि व्यावर्णयन्त्या मया स दुर्मतिः

निःश्रेण्यां संकमो मतः' इत्युत्पलिनी । अवीवृधम् । अवर्धयामिन्त्यर्थः । प्राभृतान्युपाय-
नानि । 'प्राभृतं तु प्रदेशनम् । उपायनमुपग्राहम्' इत्यमरः । चित्तहारिणीर्मनोहराः ।
एकदेति । स्थानस्थितमपि यथास्थितमपि । स्वस्तं गलितमिति समादधती सज्ज-
यन्ती । प्रमत्तवानवहितेव । प्रच्याव्य पातयित्वा । तेन कर्णकुवलेन । उपकन्या-
पुरं कन्यान्तःपुरसमीपे । कान्तकस्य कारापतेः । प्रवृत्तकुहर आरब्धसुरतः । 'कुदरं
सुषिरे दम्भे नागलोके रतेऽपि च ।' इत्यजयः । पारावतः कपोतः तस्य त्रासनाप-
देशाद्भयोत्पादनमिषात् । तेन कर्णकुवलयप्रहारेण आत्मनि योऽभिलाषः स मूलं
कारणं यत्रेति तथा । संकल्पेयचित्तयत् । आकृष्टधन्वना सर्जाकृतचापेन । विद्धो
भिन्नः । दिग्धं विधलितम् । 'दिग्धलिप्ती विपाक्ते च' इति वैजयन्ती । फलं श्लथम् ।
सायं चेति । राजकन्याया अङ्गुलीयकं मुद्रिका तथा मुद्रिता कृतमुद्राम् । वास-
ताम्बूलं एलालवङ्गकर्पूरादिभिः सुगन्धीकृतं ताम्बूलम् । 'घनसारादिभिर्भक्ष्यं वासितं
वासमुच्यते ।' इति वैजयन्ती । पट्टांशुकयुगलं पट्टवस्त्रयुगलम् । भूषणावयवाः कति-
पयभूषणानि तद्रर्भाम् । वङ्गेरिकां वेत्रपुटिकाम् । 'वङ्गेरी वेत्रपुटिका' इति वैजयन्ती ।
अगाधे चेति । अगाधेऽतलस्पर्शे । अहृष्यत् हर्षं प्राप । सुदारुणान्यसह्यानि ।
स दुर्मतिः कान्तकः । सुदूरमत्यन्तम् । उदमाद्यत् उन्ममादेत्यर्थः ।

१ हर्म्याङ्गणगतायाः । २ प्रमत्तकुहर । ३ धन्यः परा । ४ मत्कर्मपथः । ५ वङ्गेरिकाः
वङ्गालिकाः पट्टिकाः ।

सुदूरमुदमाद्यत । तत्प्रार्थिता चाहं त्वत्प्रियाप्रहितमिति ममैव मुख-
ताम्बूलोच्छिष्टानुलेपनं निर्माल्यं मलिनांशुकं चान्येद्युरुपाहरम् । तदी-
यानि च राजकन्यार्थमित्युपादाय च्छन्नमेवौपोढानि ।

इत्थं च संधुक्षितमन्मथाग्निः स एवैकान्ते मयोपमन्त्रितोऽभूत्—
'आर्य, लक्षणान्येव तवाविमंवादीनि । तथा हि मत्प्रातिवेश्यः कश्चि-
त्कार्तान्तिकः 'कान्तकस्य हस्ते राज्यमिदं पतिष्यति । नादृशानि तस्य
लक्षणानि' इत्यादिक्षत् । तदनु रूपमेव च त्वामियं राजकन्यका काम-
यते । तदेकापत्यश्च राजा तथा त्वां समागतमुपलभ्य कुपिनोऽपि
दुहितुर्भरणभयाज्जोच्छेत्स्यति । प्रत्युत प्रापयिष्यत्येव यैवराज्यम् । इत्थं
चायमर्थोऽर्थानुबन्धी । किमिति तात नाराध्यते । यदि कुमारीपुरप्रवेशा-
भ्युपायं नावबुध्यसे ननु कञ्चनागारभित्तेर्व्यामत्रयमन्तरालमारामप्राका-
रस्य । केनचित्तु हस्तवैतकागारिकेण तावतीं सुरैर्ज्ञां कारयित्वा प्रवि-
ष्टस्योपवनं तवोपरिष्ठादस्मदायत्तैव रक्षा । रक्ततरो हि तस्याः परि-
जनो न रहस्यं भेत्स्यति' इति । सोऽब्रवीत्—'साधु भद्रे दर्शितम् ।
अस्ति कश्चित्तस्करः खननकर्मणि सगरसुतानामिवान्यतमः । स चेच्छब्धः
क्षणेनैतत्कर्म साधयिष्यति' इति । 'कतमोऽसौ, किमिति न लभ्यते'
इति मयोक्ते येन तद्धनमित्रस्य चर्मरत्नं मुषितमिति त्वामेव स निर-
त्वत्प्रियाप्रहितमिति प्रेषितमिति । उच्छिष्टानुलेपनं स्वभुक्तवशिष्टाङ्गरागम् । तदी-
यानि कान्तकसंबन्धीनि । उपादाय गृहीत्वा । छन्नमेव गुप्तमेव । अपोढानि त्यक्तानि ।
इत्थमिति । संधुक्षितो वृद्धि प्रापेनः । उपमन्त्रित उपदिष्टः । अविमंवादीनि विमं-
वादर्हितानि । 'प्रनिवेशे चरति यः प्रातिवेश्यः स उच्यते' इति, 'कार्तान्तिको
लक्षणज्ञः' इति च वैजयन्ती । आदिक्षदवोचत् । तदेकापत्यः सैवैकनपत्यं यस्येति
स तथा । समागतं संगतम् । अर्थानुबन्धी राजरूपार्थसंबन्धी । तातेत्यात्मीयतासूचकं
संबोधनम् । व्यामत्रयम् । व्य मः परिभ्राणविशेषः । भाषया 'वाव' इति प्रसिद्धः ।
'व्यामो बाहोः सकरयोस्ततयोस्तिर्धगन्तरम्' इत्यमरः । आराम उपवनम् । हस्त-
वता शिक्षितहस्तेन । ऐकागारिकेण चौरैः । 'चौरैकागारिकस्तेनदस्युतस्कर-
मोषकाः ।' इत्यमरः । तावतीं तत्प्रमाणाम् । सुरङ्गा भूम्यन्तर्गतखनित-
मार्गविशेषः । अस्मदायत्ताऽस्मदधीना । 'अधीनो निम्न आयत्तः' इत्यमरः ।
भेत्स्यति प्रकटं करिष्यति । अस्तीति । निरदिक्षन्निर्दिष्टवान् । तेन चौरैः सह ।

दिक्षत् । ‘यद्येवमेहि, त्वयाऽस्मिन्कर्मणि साधिते चित्रैरुपायै-
स्त्वामहं मोक्षयिष्यामीति शपथपूर्वं तेनाभिप्रेतयाय सिद्धेऽर्थे
भूयोऽपि निगडयित्वा ‘योऽसौ चौर स सर्वथोपक्रान्तः, न तु धाष्टर्य-
भूमिः प्रकृष्टवैरस्तदजिनरत्नं दर्शयिष्यति’ इति राज्ञे विज्ञाप्य चित्र-
मेन हर्षयति । तथा च सत्यर्थः सिध्यति, रहस्यं च न स्रवति’
इति मयोक्ते सोऽतिहृष्टः प्रतिपद्य मामेव त्वदुपप्रलोभने नियुज्य
बहिरवस्थितः । प्राप्तमितः परं चिन्त्यताम्’ इति । प्रीतेन च मयो-
क्तम्—‘मदुक्तमलम्, त्वन्नय एवात्र भूयान् । आनयैनम्’ इति ।
अथान्वेनामुना मन्मोचनाय शपथः कृतः, मया च रहस्यानिर्भेदाय ।
विनिगडीकृतश्च स्नानभोजनविलेपनान्धनुभूय नित्यानधर्कोरात्कारा-
भित्तिर्कोणादारभ्योरगास्येन सुरङ्गामकरवम् । अचिन्त्यं चैवम्—
‘हन्तुमनमैवामुना मन्मोचनाय शपथः कृतः । तदेनं हत्वाऽपि नामत्य-
वददोषेण गृह्ये’ इति । निष्पततश्च मे निगडनाय प्रसार्यमाणपाणे-
स्तस्य पादेनोरसि निहत्य पतितस्य तस्थैवामिधेन्वा शिरो न्यकृन्तम् ।
अकण्यं च शृगालिकाम्—‘मण भद्रे कथंभूर्तः कन्यापुरसंनिवेशो
महानयं प्रयासो वृथैव मा भूत् । अमुत्र किञ्चिच्चारयित्वा निवर्तिष्ये’
इति । तदुपदर्शितविभागं चावगाह्य कन्यान्तःपुरं प्रज्वलत्सु मणिप्रदीपेषु
नैकक्रीडाखेदमुत्सस्य परिजनस्य मध्ये महितमहार्धरत्नप्रत्युप्तसिंहाकार-

अभिप्रेतयाय । प्रतिज्ञायैत्यर्थः । निगडयित्वा वद्ध्वा । उपक्रान्तश्चिर्कृतः ।
धाष्टर्यभूमिरचलधर्म इत्यर्थः । चित्रमेनकप्रकारम् । प्रतिज्ञाभ्युपगम्य । त्वदुप-
प्रलोभने त्वद्व्याकरणे । प्राप्तं कर्तव्यम् । त्वन्नय एव त्वन्नीतिरेव । अथानीतेनेति ।
रहस्यानिर्भेदाय गोप्यस्याप्रकटीकरणाय । विनिगडीकृतः । मुक्त इत्यर्थः । नित्यानध-
कारादख्यस्तमसः । उरगास्येन फणिमुखाकारखननसाधनेन । हन्तुमनसा मन्मारण-
निश्चिन्तचेतसा । निष्पततो निर्गच्छतः । तस्थैव । अस्मिन्नेवा छुगिकया । ‘छुरिका
चागिनेनुका’ इत्यमरः । न्यकृन्त कृतवानस्मि । संनिवेशः संस्थानम् । ‘संस्थ नं
संनिवेशं च स्वल्पे च निगद्यते’ इति वररुचिः । अथं प्रयासः सुरङ्गाकरणकेशः ।
अमुत्र कन्यापुरं । तदुपदर्शितविभागं शृगालिकास्थितप्रदेशम् । महितानि
उत्कृष्टानि महार्घाणि बहुमूल्यानि रत्नानि तैः प्रत्युप्ताः खचित्ताः सिंहाकारा दन्तपादा

१ मंगाय, २ धानयिष्यामि, ३ प्राप्स्यम, ४ अन्धकाराद्विनि, ५ तद्वत्,
६ मुने कन्यापुरसंस्थानम्, ७ विभागः, विभागः, ८ महार्धरत्नः, महानि महार्धरत्न, ९ प्रभुम्.

दन्तपादे हंसतूलगर्भशय्योपधानशालिनि कुसुमलवच्छुरितपर्यन्ते पर्यङ्क-
तले दक्षिणपादपाण्यधोभागानुवलितेतरचरणग्रपृष्ठम्, ईषद्विवृत्तै-
मधुरगुल्फसंधि, परस्पराश्लिष्टजङ्घाकाण्डम्, आकुञ्चितकोमलोमयजानु,
किञ्चिद्वेष्टितोरुदण्डयुगलम्, अधिनितम्बस्त्रस्तमुक्तैकभुजलताग्रपेशलम्,
अपाश्रयान्तनिमित्ताकुञ्चितेतरभुजलतोत्तानतलकरकिसलयम्, आभुग्न-
श्रोणिमण्डलम्, अतिश्लिष्टचीनांशुकान्तरीयम्, अनैतिवलितनुतरोद-
रम्, अतनुतरनिःश्वंसारम्भकम्पमानकठोरकुचकुड्मलम्, आतिरश्चीन-
बन्धुरशिरोधरोद्देशदृश्यमाननिष्ठस्तपनीयसूत्रपर्यस्तपद्मरागरुचकम्, अर्ध-
लक्ष्याधरकर्णपाशनिभृतकुण्डलम्, उपरिपरावृत्तश्रवणपाशरत्नकर्णिका-

यस्येति तस्मिन् । हंसतूलः पक्षिपक्ष्माणि गर्भे यस्या एवंविधा । उपधानमुपबर्हः । कुसुम-
लवैच्छुरितो मिश्रितः । शोभित इति यावत् । पर्यन्तो यस्येति । पर्यङ्कः मध्यः । 'शयने
मध्यपर्यङ्कपत्यङ्काः खट्वया समाः' इत्यमरः । पार्णिः पादमूलम् । अनुवलितः संवृतः ।
'संवृतः स्यात्संवलितो भिन्नोऽनुवलितोऽपि च ।' इति बोपालितः । इतरचरणो
वामचरणः । गुल्फं घुटिका । काण्डं स्तम्भः । वेष्टितं वक्रितम् । अधिनितम्बमिति
विभक्त्यर्थे अव्ययीभावः । पेशलं चारु यथा तथा । अपाश्रयः शिरोभागः । निमित्तं
निक्षिप्तम् । 'डुमिन् प्रक्षेपणे ।' अपाश्रयान्ते निमित्तः आकुञ्चितः या इतरभुजलता
तस्याः उत्तानतलः करः किसलय इव उत्तानतलकरकिसलयो यथा स्यात्तथा । आभु-
ग्नमीषत्कुटिलम् । चीनांशुकस्य चीनदेशीयवस्त्रस्य । अन्तरीयमधोवस्त्रम् । अनति-
वलितं नातिप्रहम् । आ ईषत्तिरश्चीनो वक्रः । बन्धुरः सुन्दरः । निष्ठस्तं तापितम् ।
तपनीयं सुवर्णम् । 'तपनीयं शातकुम्भं गाङ्गेयं भर्म कर्तुम' । इत्यमरः । रुचको-
ऽङ्गुलिकामणिः । आतिरश्चीना बन्धुरा च या शिरोधरा तस्या उद्देशे दृश्यमानः निष्ठस्त-
तपनीयसूत्रपर्यन्तः पद्मरागरुचको यत्र तद्यथा तथा । 'रुचको मङ्गलद्रव्ये ग्रीवाभ-
रणदन्तयोः ।' इति विश्वप्रकाशः । अधरोऽधः । 'अधस्तादपि चाधरः' इत्यमरः ।
अधरकर्णपाशः अधस्ताद्भूतः कर्णपाशः शय्यालग्नः चारुकर्णः । 'इदानीं द्वितीयकर्ण-
विषयकमाह—उपरीति ।' इति भूषणा । परावृत्तः समुत्तानः । कर्णिका कर्णभूषणम् ।
विषममयथार्थकम् । व्याविद्धो बद्धः । 'सम्यक्तया न बद्धः' इति भूषणा ।
शिखण्डः केशकलापः । उपरि परावृत्तः य श्रवणपाशस्तत्र या रत्नकर्णिका तस्याः

किरणमञ्जरापिञ्जरितविषमव्याविद्धाशिथिलशिखण्डबन्धनम्, आत्मप्रभा-
पटलदुर्लक्ष्यपाटलोत्तराधरविवरम्, गण्डस्थलीसंक्रान्तहस्तपल्लवदर्शित-
कर्णावतंसकृत्यम्, उपरिकपोलदर्शतलनिषिक्तंचित्रवितानपत्रजाति-
जनितविशेषकक्रियम्, आमीलितलोचनेन्दीवरम्, अविभ्रान्तभूपताकम्,
उद्भिद्यमानश्रमजलपुलकभिन्नशिथिलचन्दनतिलकम्, आननेन्दुमंमुखी-
लकलतं च विश्रब्धप्रसुप्तामतिधवलोत्तरच्छदनिमग्नप्रायैकपाश्वरतया
चिरविलसनखेदनिश्चलां शरदम्भोधरोत्सङ्गशायिनीमिव सौदामनीं
राजकन्यामपश्यम् । दृष्ट्वैव स्फुरदनङ्गरागश्चाकितश्चोरयितव्यनिःस्पृह-
स्तथैव तावच्चौर्यमाणहृदयः किंकर्तव्यतामूढः क्षणमतिष्ठम् । अत-
र्कयं च—‘न चेदिमां वामलोचनामाप्नुयां न मृष्यति मां जीवितुं वसन्त-
बन्धुः । असंकेतितपरामृष्टा चेयमतिबाला व्यक्तमार्तस्वरेण निहन्यान्मे
मनोरथम् । ततोऽहमेवांगीय । तदियमत्र प्रतिपत्तिः ।’ इति नाग-

किरणमञ्जरीभिः पिञ्जरितः विषमव्याविद्धः आशिथिलः शिखण्डबन्धः यस्मिन्कर्मणि
तथा । पाटलः श्वेतरक्तः । उत्तराधर उत्तरोष्ठः । गण्डस्थली गण्डप्रदेशस्तत्र संक्रान्ता
मिलितो यः हस्तपल्लवः करपल्लवः तेन दर्शितं कर्णावतंसस्य कृत्यं यथा स्यात्तथा ।
कर्पोल एवाददर्शतलं तस्यापरि निषिक्तं प्रतिबिम्बितं यच्चित्रं वितानमुल्लोचः । ‘अस्त्री
वितानमुल्लोचः’ इत्यमरः । तदं पत्रजातिः पत्रक्रिया तथा जनितोत्पादिता विशेष-
क्रिया तिलकादिक्रिया । अविभ्रान्ता निश्चला । उद्भिद्यमानं जायमानम् । श्रमजल
घर्मस्तस्य पुलका बिन्दवः । अलकलता केशवलिः । इत्येतानि क्रियाविशेषणानि ।
विश्रब्धप्रसुप्ता विश्रामकृतनिद्राम् । उत्तरच्छद आस्तरणपटः । निमग्नप्रायः निमग्न
इवेत्यर्थः । ‘मन्ये शङ्के ध्रुवं प्राय उति वेवार्थवाचकाः’ इत्याभयानात् । विलसनं
स्फुरणम् । उत्सङ्गा मन्थम् । ‘मन्थोन्नतिः समुत्सङ्गाः’ इति वैजयन्ती । सौदामनी
विद्युत् । दृष्ट्वैवति । स्फुरन् द्विगुणीभूतोऽनङ्गरागो यस्येति । किंकर्तव्यतामूढोऽग्रे
किं कर्तव्यमिति ज्ञानरहितः । अतर्कयमिति । मूढचित्तं सहते । ‘वर्तमानसामीप्ये
वर्तमानवद्वा’ इति ३२ । वसन्तबन्धुर्मदनः । असंकेतितपरामृष्टा अकृतसंकेता सती
परामृष्टा मृष्टा । आर्तस्वरेण पीडितस्वरेण । आङ्पूर्वकस्य हन्तेः ‘आङो यमहनः’
इत्यनेन तडि विधिलिङि उत्तमपुल्यैकवचनम् । हतो भवेयमित्यर्थः । प्रतिपत्तिः
कर्तव्यम् । नागदन्तोऽवलम्बनकाष्ठम् । ‘गुंटी’ इति साधया प्रसिद्धम् ।

दन्तलग्ननिर्यासकल्कवर्णितं फलकमादाय मणिसमुद्रकादूर्ध्ववर्तिका-
मुद्धृत्य ता तथा शयानां तस्याश्च मामाबद्धाञ्जलिं चरणलग्नमालिखमायां
चैताम्—

‘त्वामयमाबद्धाञ्जलिं दासजनस्तमिममर्थमर्थयते ।

स्वपिहि मया सह सुरतव्यतिकरखिन्नैव मा मैवम् ॥’

हेमकरण्डकाच्च वासताम्बूलवीटिकां कर्पूरस्फुटिकां पारिजातकं चोप-
युज्यालक्तकपाटलेन तद्रसेन सुधाभित्तौ चक्रवाकमिथुनं निरष्टीवम् । अ-
ङ्गुलीयकविनिर्मेयं च कृत्वा कथंकथमपि निरगाम् । सुरङ्गया च प्रत्येत्य
बन्धनागारं तत्र बद्धस्य नागरिकवरस्य सिंहघोषनाम्नस्तंष्वेव दिनेषु मित्र-
त्वेनोपचरितस्य ‘एवं मया हतस्तपस्वी क्रान्तकः, तत्त्वया प्रतिभिद्य
रहस्यं लब्धव्यो मोक्षः’ इत्युपदिश्य सह शृगालिकया निरक्रामिषम् ।
नृपतिपथे च समागत्य रक्षिकपुरुषैरगृह्ये । अचिन्तयं च—‘अलमस्मि
जवेनापसर्तुमनामृष्टं एवंभिः । एषा पुनर्वराकी गृह्येत । तदिदमत्र प्राप्तुरूपम्’

तत्र लग्नं संस्थापितम् । निर्यासकल्केन चिक्कणद्रव्यकाथेन वर्णितम् । वणो रक्तादिः
स संजातो यस्मिन्निति तम् । फलकं काष्ठपट्टिकाम् । दिङ्गुलरक्तपट्टिकामिति यावत् ।
मणिसमुद्रकाद्वलनसंपुटकात् । ‘समुद्रकः संपुटकः’ इत्यमरः ।^१ वार्तिकां तूलिकाम् ।
‘तूलिका वर्णवर्तिका’ इति वैजयन्ती । चरणलग्नं पादलग्नम् । आर्यामिति । आर्या-
लक्षणं वृत्तरत्नाकरोक्तम्—‘लक्ष्मैतत्सप्तगणा गोपेता भवति नेह विषमे जः ।’ इति ।
त्वामयमिति । अयं दासजनो मदूपः सेवकजनः आबद्धाञ्जलिं कृताञ्जलीति
क्रियाविशेषणम् । त्वामिमर्थं अर्थयते प्राथेयते । द्विकर्मकोऽयम् । सुरतस्य व्यति-
करः ससर्गस्तेन खिन्नैव मया सह स्वपिहि निद्रां कुरु । एवं सुरतखेदं विना मा मेति ।
‘अमानोनाः प्रतिषेधे’ । वीप्सायां द्विर्वचनम् । हेमकरण्डकान्मुवर्णपेटकात् । वास-
ताम्बूलवीटिकां सुवासितनागवल्लीपत्रवीटिकाम् । कर्पूरस्फुटिकां कर्पूरखण्डम् । पारि-
जातकं सुगन्धखदिरसारम् । उपयुज्य भुक्त्वा । अलक्तकपाटलेन यावकवद्रक्तेन ।
तद्रसेन ताम्बूलवीटिकारसेन । सुधया लिप्ता संस्कृता वा भित्तिः मुधाभित्तिः तस्यां
मुधाभित्तौ । चूर्णकुण्ड्ये इत्यर्थः । चक्रवाकमिथुनं निरष्टीवमभूकृतवान् । विनिमयो
व्यत्ययः । बन्धनागारं प्रत्येत्यागत्य । उपचरितस्य सेवितस्य । तपस्वी शोच्यः । मोक्षो
मोचनम् । अलं समर्थः । अपसर्तुं पलाय्य गन्तुम् । अनामृष्टोऽस्पृष्टः । एषा वराकी
दीना शृगालिका । तदिदमत्र प्राप्तुरूपं तस्मादिदं प्रशस्तं प्राप्तं वक्ष्यमाणं

इति तानेव चपलमभिपत्य स्वपृष्ठसमर्पितकूर्परः पराङ्मुखः स्थित्वा
 'यद्यहमस्मि तस्करः, भद्रा बध्नात माम् । युष्माकमयमधिकारः, न पुनरस्या
 वर्षायस्याः' इत्यवादिषम् । सा तु तावतैवोन्नीतमदभिप्राया तान्सप्रणाम-
 मभ्येत्य 'भद्रमुखाः ममैष पुत्रो वायुग्रस्तश्चिरं चिकित्सितः । पूर्वेद्युः
 प्रसन्नकल्पः प्रकृतिस्थ एव जातः । जातास्थया मया बन्धनान्निष्क्रमय्य
 स्नापितोऽनुलेपितश्च परिधाप्य निष्प्रवाणियुगलमभ्यवहार्य परमान्नमौ-
 शीरेऽद्य कामचारः कृतोऽभूत् । अथ निशीथे भूय एव वायुनिघ्नः
 'निहत्य कान्तकं नृपतिदुहित्रा रमेयम्' इति रंहसा परेण राजपथमभ्य-
 पतत् । निरूप्य चाहं पुत्रमेवंगतमस्यां वेलायामनुधावामि । तत्प्रसिद्धं ।
 बद्धैवेन मह्यमर्पयत' इति यावदसौ क्रन्दति तावदहं 'स्थविरे, केन देवो
 मातरिश्वा बद्धपूर्वः । किमेते काकाः शौङ्गेयस्य मे निग्रहीतारः ।
 शान्तं पापम्' इत्यधावम् । असावप्यमीभिः 'स्वमेवोन्मत्तयाऽनुन्मत्त
 इत्युन्मत्तं मुक्तवती । कस्तमिदानीं बध्नाति' इति कदर्थिता रुदत्येव
 मामन्वधावत् । गत्वा च रागमञ्जरीगृहं चिरैविरहखेदविह्वलामिमां बहुविधं
 समाश्वास्य तं निशाशेषमनयम् । प्रत्यूषे चोदारकेण समगच्छे ।

अथ भगवन्तं मरीचिं वेशकृच्छ्रादुत्थाय पुनः प्रैतितसतपः-

प्रशस्तं कर्तव्यम् । चपलं शीघ्रम् । स्वपृष्ठे समर्पितौ निहितौ कूर्परौ येनेति सः ।
 अयमधिकारस्तस्करबन्धनरूपः । वर्षायस्या वृद्धायाः । सा त्वाति । तावतैव
 तावन्मात्रेणैव । उन्नीतस्पर्कितः । वायुग्रस्तो वातुलः । प्रकृतिस्थः स्वभावस्थः ।
 जातास्थया जातादरया । निष्प्रवाणियुगलमनाहतवस्त्रयुगलम् । 'अनाहतं निष्प्र-
 वाणि तन्त्रकं च नवाम्बरे ।' इत्यमरः । अभ्यवहार्यं भोजयित्वा । परमान्नं पायसम् ।
 औशीरे शयनासने । 'औशीरं शयनासनम्' इति हलायुधः । कामचारः
 स्वेच्छाचारित्वम् । अथेति । निशीथेऽर्धरात्रे । वायुनिघ्नो वाताधीनः ।
 रंहसा वगेन । मातरिश्वा वायुः । 'मातरिश्वा सदातिः' इत्यमरः । शौङ्गे-
 यस्य । 'तिलच्छदस्तु शौङ्गेया विहङ्गारातिरित्यपि ।' इति वैजयन्ती ।
 'ससाणा' इति प्रसिद्धः । तद्वन्धनं काकानःससामर्थ्यमिति भावः । असाविति ।
 असौ शृगालिका । कदर्थिता निन्दिता । 'निन्दितः क्लेशेन चैव वर्णने च कदर्थने'
 इति सज्जनः । गत्वा चेति । चिरं बहुकालं यो विरहखेदो वियोगदुःखं तेन विह-
 लाम् । प्रातःकाले । उदारकेण मित्रेण । अथेति । वेशकृच्छ्रादुत्थाकष्टात् ।

प्रभावप्रत्यापन्नदिव्यचक्षुषमुपसंगम्य तेनास्म्येवंभूतं त्वद्दर्शनमवगमितः । सिंहघोषश्च कान्तकापचारं निर्भिद्य तत्पदे प्रसन्नेन राज्ञा प्रतिष्ठापित-
स्तेनैव चारकसुरङ्गापथेन कन्यापुरप्रवेशं मूयोऽपि मे समपादयत् ।
समगंसि चाहं शृगालिकामुखविसृतवातानुरक्तया राजदुहित्रा । तेष्वेव
दिवसेषु चण्डवर्मा सिंहवर्मावधूतदुहितृप्रार्थनः कुपितोऽभियुज्य पुरमवा-
रुणत् । अमर्षणश्चाङ्गराजो यावदरिः पारिग्रामिकं विधिमाचिकीर्षति
तावत्स्वयमेव प्राकारं निर्भिद्य प्रत्यासन्नानपि सहायानप्रतीक्षमाणो नि-
र्गत्याभ्यधिकबलेन विद्विषा महति संपराये भिन्नवैर्मा सिंहवर्मा बलाद्-
गृह्यत । अम्बालिका च बलवदभिगृह्य चण्डवर्मणा हंठात्परिणेतुमात्म-
भवनमनीयत । कौतुकं च स किल क्षपावसाने विवाह इत्यवधात् ।
अहं च धनमित्रगृहे तद्विवाहायैव पिनद्धमङ्गलप्रतिसरस्तमेवमवोचम्—
'सखे समापतितमेवाङ्गराजोभिसरं राजमण्डलम् । सुगूढमेव संभूय
पौरवृद्धैस्तदुपावर्तय । उपवृत्तश्च कृत्तशिरसमेव शत्रुं द्रक्ष्यसि' इति ।
'तथा' इति तेनाभ्युपगते गतायुषोऽमुष्य भवनमुत्सवाकुलमुपसमाधीय-

प्रतितप्तं यत्तपस्तस्य प्रभावात्सामर्थ्यात्प्रत्यापन्नं प्राप्तं दिव्यं चक्षुर्येनेति तथा तम् ।
एवंभूतममुना प्रकारेण जातम् । त्वद्दर्शनम् । त्वच्छब्दे राजवाहनस्योपस्थितिः । 'उपसं-
गम्य इत्यस्यावगमित इत्यवगमेऽन्वयः । अतः समाकर्तृत्वम् ।' इति भूषणा । अवग-
मितो बोधितः । सिंहघोषः कारागृहमित्रम् । कान्तकापचारं कारापत्यपकारम् । निर्भिद्य
प्रकटीकृत्य । तेनैव मत्कृतमार्गेण । विसृतवार्तया निर्गतगोष्ठ्या । अनुरक्तयाऽऽसक्त्या ।
तेष्वेवेति । चण्डवर्मा राजवाहनबन्धनकर्ता । सिंहवर्मणाऽङ्गदेशस्थचम्पानगरराज्ञा ।
अभियुज्याभिभूय । 'अभियोगस्त्वभिभवः' इति कोशः । अमर्षणः सकोपः । अङ्गराजः
सिंहवर्मा । पारिग्रामिकं ग्रामस्य परितः क्रियमाणम् । 'ग्रामात्पर्यनुपूर्वात्' इति ठञ् ।
प्राकारमावरणभित्तिम् । प्रत्यासन्नान्समीपवर्तिनः । संपराये संप्रभे । भिन्नवर्मा
भिन्नतनुः । अम्बालिका सिंहवर्मदुहिता । कौतुकं मङ्गलसूत्रम् । स किल चण्डवर्मा
अहमपहारवर्मा । तद्विवाहायाम्बालिकाविवाहाय । पिनद्धः मङ्गलप्रतिसरो येन
स तथा । बद्धमङ्गलहस्तसूत्रः इत्यर्थः । 'हस्तसूत्रं प्रतिसरः' इति वैजयन्ती । समा-
पतितं समागतम् । अङ्गराजाभिसरमङ्गराजसहायीभूतम् । सुगूढं सुप्तम् ।
तद्वाजमण्डलमुपावर्तय समीपमानय । उपावृत्तश्च पुनरागतः सन् । शत्रुं चण्डवर्माणम् ।
अभ्युपगतेऽङ्गीकृते । गतायुषोऽल्पायुषः । अमुष्य चण्डवर्मणः । उपसमाधीयमान-

मानपरिणयोपकरणमितस्ततः प्रवेशनिर्गमप्रवृत्तलोकसंबाधमलक्ष्यशस्त्रिकः
सह प्रविश्य मङ्गलपाठकैरम्बालिकापाणिपल्लवमग्नौ साक्षिण्याथर्वणेन
विधिनाऽर्प्यमाणमादित्समानस्यायामिनं बाहुदण्डमाकृष्य च्छुरिकयोरसि
प्राहार्षम् । स्फुरतश्च कतिपयानन्यानपि यमविषयमगमयम् । हत-
विध्वस्तं च तद्गृहमनुविचरन्वेपमानमधुरगात्री विशाललोचनामभिनिशाम्य
तदालिङ्गनसुखमनुबुभूषुस्तामादाय गर्भगृहमविक्षम् । अस्मिन्नेव क्षणे
तथास्मि नवाम्बुवाहस्तनितगम्भीरेण स्वरेणानुगृहीतः । इति ।

श्रुत्वा च स्मिन्त्वा च देवोऽपि राजवाहनः ‘कथमसि कार्कश्येन
कर्णासुतमप्यतिक्रान्तः’ इत्यभिधाय पुनरवेक्ष्योपहारवर्मणम् ‘आचक्ष्व ।
तवेदानीमवसरः’ इत्यभाषत । सोऽपि सस्मितं प्रणम्यारभताभिधातुम् ।
इति श्रीदण्डिनः कृतौ दशकुमारचरितेऽपहारवर्मचरितं नाम द्वितीय उच्छ्वासः ।

तृतीयोच्छ्वासः ।

एषोऽस्मि पर्यटनेकदा गतो विदेहेषु । मिथिलामप्रविश्यैव बहिः
कचिन्मठिकाया विश्रमितुमेत्य कयाऽपि वृद्धतापस्या दत्तपाद्यः क्षणम-

परिणयोपकरणं संपाद्यमानविवाहोपयुक्तवस्तुजातम् । इतस्ततः प्रवेशनिर्गमाः गताग-
तानि तत्र प्रवृत्त उपक्रान्तो यो लोकस्तेन संबाधं संकटम् । अलक्ष्याऽदृश्या शस्त्रिका
च्छुरिका यस्येति स तथा । मङ्गलपाठकैर्ब्राह्मणैः सह । अग्नौ साक्षिणी सत्यग्निसाक्षिक-
मित्यर्थः । आथर्वणेन पुरोधसा । ‘आथर्वणः पुरोधः स्याच्छान्तिपुष्टिकरो द्विजः ।’ इति
कामन्दकः । विधिना विध्युक्तप्रकारेण । अर्प्यमाणं दीयमानम् । आदित्समानस्य
प्रहीतुकामस्य । आयामिनं दैर्घ्यवन्तम् । प्राहार्षं हतवान् । यमविषयं यमवेशम् । मधुरं
सुन्दरम् । अभिनिशाम्य संमुखं दृष्ट्वा । अनुबुभूषुरनुभवितुमिच्छुः । गर्भगृहम् ।
अस्मिन्निति । नवाम्बुवाहो नूतनमेघस्तस्य स्तनितं रजितम् । कार्कश्येन कर्कशस्य
भावस्तेन । काठिन्येनेत्यर्थः । कर्णासुतः स्तेयशास्त्रकर्ता ।

इति श्रीदशकुमारचरितटीकायां द्वितीय उच्छ्वासः ।

इदानीमुपहारवर्मचरितमभिधातुमुपक्रमते-एषोऽस्मीति । मठिका अल्पमठः ।
दत्तपाद्यो दत्तपादोदकः । ‘पायं पादाय वारिणि’ इत्यमरः । अलिन्दभूमौ ।

लिन्दभूमाववास्थिषि । तस्यास्तु महर्शनादेव किमप्याबद्धधारमश्रु
प्रावर्तत । ' किमेतदम्ब, कथय कारणम् ' इति पृष्टा सकरुणमाचष्ट—
' जैवातृक ननु श्रूयते पतिरस्या मिथिलायाः प्रहारवर्मा नामासीत् ।
तस्य खलु मगधराजो राजहंसः परं मित्रमासीत् । तयोश्च बलमे
बलशम्बलयोरिव वसुमतीप्रियंवदे सख्यमप्रतिममधत्ताम् । अथ प्रथम-
गर्भाभिनन्दितां तां च प्रियसखीं दिदृक्षुः प्रियंवदा वसुमतीं सह
भर्त्रा पुष्पपुरमगमत् । तस्मिन्नेव च समये मालवेन मगधराजस्य मह-
ज्जन्यमजनि । तत्र लेशतोऽपि दुर्लक्षां गतिमगमन्मगधराजः । मैथिले-
न्द्रैस्तु मालवेन्द्रप्रयत्नप्राणितः स्वविषयं प्रतिनिवृत्तो ज्येष्ठस्य संहारवर्म-
णः सुतैर्विकटवर्मप्रभृतिभिर्व्याप्तं राज्यमाकर्ण्य स्वस्त्रीयात्सुहृदपतेर्दण्डाव-
यवमादित्सुरटवीपथमवगाह्य लुब्धकलुप्तसर्वस्वोऽभूत् । तत्सुतेन च
कनीयसा हस्तवर्तिना सहैकाकिनी वनचरशरवर्षमयपलायिता वन-
मगाहिषि । तत्र च मे शार्दूलनखावलीढनिपतितायाः पाणिभ्रष्टः
स बालकः कस्यापि कपिलाशवस्य क्रोडमभ्यर्लयत । तच्छवा-
कर्षिणश्च व्याघ्रस्यासूनिषुरिवसनयन्त्रमुक्तः क्षणादलिक्षत् । भिल्ल-

अलिन्दभूमिर्बहिर्द्वाराप्रवर्तिचतुष्कम् । ' ओटा ' इति भाषया प्रसिद्धम् । ' प्रषाण-
प्रषणालिन्दा बहिर्द्वारप्रकोष्ठके ' इत्यमरः । अवास्थिषीत्यत्र ' समवप्रविभ्यः
स्थः ' इत्यात्मनेपदम् । आबद्धधारमविच्छिन्नधारम् । जैवातृक आयुष्मन् ।
जीवतीति जैवातृकः । जीवेः आतृकन् वृद्धिश्च । तयोः राजहंसप्रहारवर्मणोः । बलश्च
शम्बलश्च द्वावप्यसुरौ तयोरिव । अप्रतिममसदृशम् । अधत्तां दधतुः । अथेति ।
प्रियंवदा प्रहारवर्मस्त्री । भर्त्रा प्रहारवर्मणा सह । पुष्पपुरं वसुमतीभर्तुः राजहंसस्य
नगरम् । तस्मिन्निति । मालवेनान्यराज्ञा । मगधराजस्य राजहंसस्य । जन्मं
युद्धम् । लेशतः किञ्चित् । सार्वविभक्तिकस्नसिः । मगधराजो राजहंसः । मालवेन्द्र-
प्रयत्नेन प्राणितो जीवितः । स्वविषयमात्मदेशम् । ज्येष्ठस्य भ्रातुः । स्वस्त्रीयाद्व-
गिनीपुत्रात् । ' स्वसुष्ठः ' इति छः । दण्डावयवं सैन्यैकदेशम् । लुब्धका व्याधाः ।
तत्सुतेन प्रहारवर्मपुत्रेण । वनचराणां भिल्लानां शरवर्षाद्वयं तेन पलायिता । अगाहि-
ष्यालोडितवती । शार्दूले व्याघ्रः । कपिलाशवस्य मृतगोशरीरस्य । क्रोडो
वक्षःस्थलम् । इवसनं धनुः । अलिक्षदपाहरत् । वृष्णिपाटेन गोपालेन ।

दारकैः स बालोऽपाहारि । सा त्वहं मोहसुप्ता केनापि वृष्णि-
पालेनोपनीय स्वं .कुटीरमावेश्य कृपयोपक्रान्तव्रणा स्वस्थीभूय स्व-
भर्तुरन्तिकमुपतिष्ठासुरसहायतया यावद्रचाकुलीभवामि तावन्ममैव दु-
हिता सह यूना केनापि तमेवोद्देशमागमत् । सा भृशं रुरोद ।
रुदितान्ते च सा सार्धघाते स्वहस्तगतस्य राजपुत्रस्य किरात-
मर्तृहस्तगमनम्, आत्मनश्च केनापि वनचरेण व्रणविरोपणम्, स्व-
स्थायाश्च पुनस्तेनोपयन्तुं चिन्तिताया निकृष्टजातिसंसर्गवैकल्या-
त्प्रत्याख्यानपारुष्यम्, तदक्षमेण चामुना विविक्ते विपिने स्व-
शिरःकर्तनोद्यमम्, अनेन यूना यदृच्छया दृष्टेन तस्य दुरात्म-
नो हननम्, आत्मनश्चोपयमनम्, इत्यकथयत् । स तु पृष्ठो मैथिले-
न्द्रस्यैव कोऽपि सेवकः कारणविलम्बी तन्मार्गानुसारी जातः ।
सह तेन भर्तुरन्तिकमुपसृत्य पुत्रवृत्तान्तेन श्रोत्रमस्य देव्याः प्रियंवदा-
याश्चादहाव ।

स च राजा दिष्टदोषाज्ज्येष्ठपुत्रैश्चिरं विगृह्य पुनरहसहिष्णुतयाऽति-
मात्रं चिरं प्रयुध्य बद्धः । देवी च बन्धनं गमिता । दग्धा पुनरहम-
स्मिन्नपि वार्द्धके हतजीवितमपारयन्ती हातुं प्रव्रज्यां किलाग्रहीषम् ।
दुहिता तु मम हतजीवितकृष्टा विकटवर्ममहोदेवी कल्पसुन्दरी
किलाशिश्रियत् । तौ चेद्राजपुत्रौ निरुपद्रवावेवार्धिष्येताम्, इयता

अविपालेनेति वा । कुटीरमल्पगृहम् । ' कुटीरशमीशुष्काभ्यो रः ' इति रः । उप-
क्रान्तव्रणा चिकित्सितक्षता । उपतिष्ठामुर्गन्तुमिच्छुः । तमेवोद्देशं कुटीरप्रदेशम् ।
सा मत्कन्या । सार्धघाते संघभ्रंशे । किरातभर्तुर्भिक्षप्रभोः । व्रणविरोपणं क्षत-
चिकित्सनम् । उपयन्तुं परिणेतुम् । निकृष्टा हीना । प्रत्याख्याने दूरीकरणे पारुष्यं
काठिन्यम् । तदक्षमेण पारुष्यामहेन । विविक्ते विजने । स तु परिणेतो । मैथिलेन्द्रस्य
प्रहारवर्मणः । कारणविलम्बी प्रयोजनविलम्बितः । भर्तुर्मिथिलेन्द्रस्य । स राजा प्रहार-
वर्मा । दिष्टं दैवम् । अनिमात्रमत्यन्तम् । देवी प्रियंवदा । हातुं त्यक्तुम् । प्रव्रज्या
संन्यासम् । विकटवर्मा प्रहारवर्मज्येष्ठपुत्रः । महादेवी पद्महिषीम् ।

कालेन तवेमां वयोवस्थामस्प्रक्ष्येताम् । तयोश्च सतोर्न दायादा
नरेन्द्रस्य प्रसह्यकारिणो भवेयुः ' इति प्रमन्युरभिरुद । श्रुत्वा च
तापसीगिरमहमपि प्रवृद्धबाष्पो निगूढमम्यधाम्—' यद्येवमम्ब समा-
श्रसिहि । नन्वस्ति कश्चिन्मुनिस्त्वया तदवस्थया पुत्राभ्युपपादनार्थं
याचितस्तेन स लब्धो वर्धितश्च । वार्तेयमतिमहती । किमनया ।
सोऽहमस्मि । शक्यश्च मयाऽसौ विकटवर्मा यथाकथंचिदुपश्लिष्य
व्यापादयितुम् । अनुजाः पुनरतिबहवः, तैरपि घटन्ते पौरजानपदाः ।
मां तु न कश्चिदिहत्य ईदृक्तया जनो जानाति । पितरगृवपि तावन्मां
न सविद्वते किमुतेतरे । तदेनमर्थमुपायेन साधयिष्यामि ' इत्यगादिषम् ।
सा तु वृद्धा सरुदितं परिष्वज्य मुहुः शिरस्युपाघ्राय प्रस्तुतस्तनी
सगद्गदमगदत्—' वत्स चिरं जीव । भद्रं तव । प्रसन्नोऽद्य भगवा-
न्विधिः । अद्यैव प्रहारवर्मण्याधि विदेहा जाताः, यतः प्रलम्ब-
मानपीनबाहुर्भवानपारमेतच्छोकसागरमद्योत्तारयितुं स्थितः । अहो
महद्भागधेयं देव्याः प्रियंवदायाः ' इति हर्षनिर्भरा स्नानभोजनादिना
मामुपाचरत् । अशिथ्रियं चास्मिन्मठैकदेशे निशि कटशय्याम् ।
अचिन्तयं च—' विनोपधिनाऽगमर्थो न साध्यः । स्त्रियश्चोपधीनामुद्भव-

अस्प्रक्ष्येतां स्पृष्टौ भविष्यतः । दायादा बान्धवाः । प्रसह्यकारिणो बलात्कारकारिणः ।
प्रमन्युः प्रकृष्टशोका । निगूढं गुप्तम् । सोऽहमस्मीत्यात्मनिरूपणम् । उपश्लिष्य
संनिधानं प्राप्य । व्यापादयितुं हन्तुम् । अनुजाः विकटवर्मणः कनिष्ठा भ्रातरः ।
तैरपि घटन्ते मिलन्ति पौरजनाः । ' एवं तस्मिन्हतेऽपि तस्यानुजा राज्यं
करिष्यन्ति । तथा च मत्कृतं व्यापादनं व्यर्थमेव भवेत् इति भाषः । ' इति भूषणा ।
इह-योऽत्रत्यो जनः । ' अब्ययान्त्यप् ' इति त्यप् । ईदृक्तया ईदृशस्य भावस्तथा
तया । उपाघ्रायाप्राणं कृत्वा । प्रस्तुतस्तनी क्षरदुग्धस्तनी । भद्रं कल्याणम् ।
प्रहारवर्मण्याधि प्रहारवर्माधीनाः । ' अधिरीश्वरे ' इति कर्मप्रवचनीयसंज्ञा ।
' यस्मादधिकं यस्य चेश्वरवचनं तत्र सप्तमी ' । प्रलम्बमानो दीर्घोपीनौ पुष्टौ बाहु
यस्येति स तथा । एतच्छोकसागरं प्रहारवर्मशोकसमुद्रम् । उपाचरदुपचारमक-
रोत् । अशिथ्रियमाश्रितवान् । कटशय्यां तृणास्तरणम् । उपधिना कपटेन ।
' कपटोऽस्त्री व्याजदम्भोपधयश्छद्मकैतवे ' इत्यमरः । उद्भवक्षेत्रमुत्पत्तिस्थानम् ।

क्षेत्रम् । अतोऽन्तःपुरवृत्तान्तमस्या अवगम्य तद्वारेण किञ्चिज्जालमा-
चरेयम् ' इति चिन्तयत्येव मयि महार्णवोन्मग्नमार्तण्डतुरङ्गमश्वासरया-
वधूतेव व्यावर्तत त्रियामा । समुद्रगर्भवासजडीकृत इव मन्दप्रतापो
दिवसंकरः प्रादुरासीत् ।

उत्थायावसायितदिनमुखनियमविधिस्तां मे मातरमवादिषम्—
' अम्ब जाह्नमस्य विकटवर्मणः कश्चिदन्तःपुरवृत्तान्तमभिजानासि '
' इत्यनवसितवचन एव मयि काचिदङ्गना प्रत्यदृश्यत । तां चावेक्ष्य
सा मे धात्री हर्षाश्रुकुण्ठितकण्ठमाचष्ट—' पुत्रि पुष्कारिके पश्य
भर्तृदारकम् । अयमसावकृपया मया वने परित्यक्तः पुनरप्येवमागतः '
इति । सा तु हर्षनिर्भरनिपीडिता चिरं प्ररुध्य बहु विलप्य शान्ता
पुनः स्वमात्रा राजान्तःपुरवृत्तान्ताख्याने न्ययुज्यत । उक्तं च तया—
' कुमार कामरूपेश्वरस्य कलिन्दवर्मनाम्नः कन्या कल्पसुन्दरी
कलासु रूपे चाप्सरसोऽप्यतिक्रान्ता पतिमभिभूय वर्तते । तदेकवल्लभः
स तु बह्वरोधोऽपि विकटवर्मा ' इति । तामवोचम्—' उपसर्पेनां म-
त्प्रयुक्तैर्गन्धमाह्वयैः । उपजनय चासमानदोषनिन्दादिना स्वमर्तेरि
द्वेषम् । अनुरूपभर्तृगामिनीनां च वासवदत्तादीनां वर्णनेन ग्राह-

अस्या वृद्धावाः सकाशात् । जालं कपटम् । ' जालं समूह आनाये गवाक्षे कपटेऽपि च '
इति वैजयन्ती । चिन्तयत्येवेति । महार्णवोन्मग्नः समुद्रमध्यान्निःसृतो यो मार्तण्डः
सूर्यः तस्य तुरङ्गमा अश्वाः तेषां आसरयो मुखमारुतवेगस्तेनावधूतेव कम्पितेव ।
त्रियामा रात्रिः । समुद्रगर्भवासः समुद्रमध्यवसतिः । जडीकृतः शीतलीकृतः । मन्द-
प्रतापः स्वल्पतापः । अवसायितः समापितः । दिनमुखनियमविधिः प्रातःकाल-
नियमकृत्यम् । जाह्नमस्य मूढस्य । ' जडो जाह्नमश्च निर्बुद्धो स्तब्धेऽनालोच्यकारिणि '
इति वैजयन्ती । कश्चिदिति प्रश्ने । ' कश्चित्कामप्रबन्धने ' इत्यमरः । अनवधित-
वचनेऽसमापितवचने । धात्र्युपमाता । हर्षाश्रु आनन्दाश्रु तेन कुण्ठितोऽवरुद्धः कण्ठो
यथा तथेति क्रियाविशेषणम् । अकृपया निर्दयया । राजान्तःपुरं विकटवर्मान्तःपुरं
तस्य वृत्तान्तो वार्ता तदाख्याने तत्कथने । न्ययुज्यत नियोजिता । अप्सरसो-
ऽप्यतिक्रान्तोत्कृष्टेत्यर्थः । अभिभूय पराभूय । बह्वरोधोऽपि बहुपर्णीकोऽपि ।
एनां कल्पसुन्दरीम् । मत्प्रयुक्तैर्मत्प्रेषितैः । उपजनयोत्पादय । असमानोऽनुल्यः ।

यानुशयम् । अवरोधान्तरेषु च राज्ञो विलसितानि सुगृहान्यपि प्रयत्ने-
नान्विष्य प्रकाशयन्ती मानमस्या वर्धय ' इति । पुनरिदमन्वामवोचम्—
' इत्थमेव त्वयाऽप्यनन्यव्यापारया नृपाङ्गनाऽमावुपस्थातव्या । प्रत्यहं
च यद्यत्तत्र वृत्तं तदस्मि त्वयैव बोध्यः । ममुक्ता पुनरियमुदर्कस्वादुनो-
ऽस्मत्कर्मणः प्रसाधनाय च्छायेवानपायिनी कल्पसुन्दरीमनुवर्त्तताम् '
इति । ते च तमर्थं तथैवान्वतिष्ठताम् ।

केषुचिद्दिनेषु गतेष्वचष्ट मां मदम्बा—' वत्स माधवीव पिचुमन्दो-
श्लेषिणी यथाऽसौ शोच्यमात्मानं मन्येतै तथोपपद्य स्थापिता । कि
भूयः कृत्यम् ' इति । पुनरहमभिलिख्यात्मनः प्रतिकृतिम् ' इधम-
मुष्यै नेया । नीतां चैनां निर्वर्ण्य सा नियतमेवं वक्ष्यति—' नन्वस्ति
कश्चिदीदृशाकारः पुमान् ' इति । प्रतिब्रूहेनाम्—' यदि म्यात्ततः
किम् ' इति । तस्य यदुत्तरं सा दास्यति तदहमस्मि प्रतिबोधनीयः '
इति । सा ' तथा ' इति राजकुलमुपसंक्रम्य प्रतिनिवृत्ता मामेकान्ते
न्यवेदयत्—' वत्स, दर्शितोऽसौ चित्रपटस्तस्यै मत्तकाशिन्यै । चित्रीय-
माणा चासौ ' भुवनमिदं सनाथीकृतं यद्देवेऽपि कुसुमधन्वनि नेदृशी

वासवदत्तादीनामित्यत्र आदिशब्देन शकुन्तलादमयन्यादयो ग्राह्याः । अनुशयं पश्चात्ता-
पम् । अवरोधान्तरेष्वपरस्त्रीषु । राज्ञो विकटवर्मणः । विलसितानि विलासान् । मानमीर्ष्या-
कृतं कोपम् । अनन्यव्यापारा त्यक्तसर्वान्यकार्या । असौ नृपाङ्गना । उपस्थातव्या
सेवनीया । अस्मीत्यहमर्थेऽव्ययम् । त्वयैव ब्रूयैव । ममुक्तं पुष्करिका । उदर्क उत्तरं
फलम् । स्वादु मधुरम् । प्रसाधनाय करणाय । अनपायिनी नाशरहिता ।
कल्पसुन्दरी राजपत्नी । माधवी वासन्ती । ' वासन्तो माधवी लता ' इत्यमरः ।
पिचुमन्दो निम्बवृक्षः । ' पिचुमन्दश्च निम्ब ' इत्यमरः । उपपद्य सयुक्तिकं संबोध्य ।
प्रतिकृतिं स्वरूपम् । नियतं असंशयम् । ईदृश आकारो यस्येति स तथा । मत्तकाशिनी
उत्तमाङ्गना । चित्रीयमाणा विस्मयमाना । ' नमोवरिवश्चित्रकः क्यञ् ' इति क्यजन्ता-
दात्मनेपदम् । सनाथीकृतं नाधवत्कृतमित्यर्थः । यद्यस्मात् । कुसुमधन्वनि मद्ने ।
ईदृस्येतत्सदृशा । वपुःश्रीः शरीरशोभा । न संनिधत्ते । नास्तीत्यर्थः

वपुःश्रीः संनिधत् । चित्रमेतच्चित्रतरम् । न च तमवैमि य इदृश-
 मिहत्यो निर्मिमीते । केनैदमालिखितम्' इत्याहतवती व्याहतवती च ।
 मया च स्मेरयोदीरितम्—'देवि सदृशमाज्ञापयासि । भगवान्मकर-
 केतुरप्येवं सुन्दर इति न शक्यमेव संभावयितुम् । अथ च विस्तीर्ण्यम-
 र्णवनेमिः । कचिदीदृशमपि रूपं दैवशक्त्या संभवेत् । अथ तु यद्येवं-
 रूपो रूपानुरूपशिल्पशीलविद्याज्ञानकौशलो युवा महाकुलीनश्च कश्चि-
 त्संनिहितः स्यात्स किं लप्स्यते' इति । तयोक्तम्—'अम्ब किं
 ब्रवीमि । शरीरं हृदयं जीवितमिति सर्वमिदमल्पमनर्हं च । ततो
 न किंचिल्लप्स्यते । न चेदयं विप्रलम्भस्तस्यामुष्य दर्शनानुभवेन यथेदं
 चक्षुश्चरितार्थं भवेत्तथाऽनुग्रहः कार्यः' इति । भूयोऽपि मया दृढतरी-
 कर्तुमुपन्यस्तम्—'अस्ति कोऽपि राजसूनुर्निगूढं चरन् । अमुष्य
 वसन्तोत्सवे सह सखीभिर्नगरोपवनविहारिणी रतिरिव विग्रहिणी यद्व-
 च्छया दर्शनपथं गताऽसि । गतश्चासौ कामशरैकलक्ष्यतां मामन्व-
 वर्तिष्ठ । मया च वामन्योन्यानुरूपैरन्यदुर्लभैराकारादिभिर्गुणातिशयैश्च
 प्रेर्यमाणया तद्रचितैरेव कुसुमशेखरस्त्रगनुलेपनादिभिश्चिरमुपासिताऽसि ।
 सादृश्यं च स्वमनेन स्वयमेवाभिलिख्य त्वत्समाधिगाढत्वदर्शनाय

चित्रतरमतितरामाश्चर्यकरम् । स्मेरया सहासया । उदीरितमुक्तम् । सदृशं युक्तम् ।
 एवं संभावयितुं सुन्दरत्वेन निदर्शयितुम् । अथ चेति तथाऽपि । विस्तीर्णा विशाला ।
 अर्णवनेमिः पृथिवीत्यर्थः । अथ त्विति । तिष्ठत्वित्यर्थः । 'अथ त्वित्यभि-
 धेयेऽस्मिन्नास्तामथ तु चाव्ययम् ।' इत्यजयः । रूपस्यानुरूपं अनुकूलम् । शिल्पं
 चातुर्यम् । विद्याश्चतुर्दशाष्टदश वा । ज्ञानं लिप्यादि । अनर्हमयोग्यम् । न किंचि-
 त्लप्स्यते प्राप्यते । अमुष्य पुत्रस्य । चरितार्थं कृतकृत्यम् । उपन्यस्तम् । उक्तमि-
 त्यर्थः । अस्तीति । विग्रहिणी शरीरधारिणी । यद्वच्छया स्वेच्छया ।
 गतश्चेति । असौ राजपुत्रः । लक्ष्यतां वेध्यताम् । मया चेति । वामिति
 युवयोः । अन्योन्यानुरूपैः परस्पराणुरक्तैः । प्रेर्यमाणयोद्योजितया । तद्र-
 चितैस्तन्निर्मितैः । शेखर आपीडः । स्रङ् माला । अनुलेपनमुद्वर्तनम् । उपासे-
 ताऽसि । सेविताऽस्येत्यर्थः । सादृश्यं स्वस्य प्रतिकृतिः । त्वत्समाधिगाढं त्वद्ध्यानदृढम् ।

प्रेषितम् । एष चेदर्थो निश्चितस्तस्यामुष्यातिमानुषप्राणसत्त्वप्रज्ञा-
प्रकर्षस्य न किञ्चिदुष्करं नाम । तमद्यैव दर्शयेयम् । संकेतो देयः ' इति ।
तथा तु किञ्चिदिव ध्यात्वा पुनरभिहितम्—'अम्ब तव नैतदिदानीं गोप्य-
तमम् । अतः कथयामि । मम तातस्य राज्ञा प्रहारवर्मणा सह महती
प्रीतिरासीत् । मातुश्च मे मानवत्याः प्रियवयस्या देवी प्रियंवदाऽऽसीत् ।
ताभ्यां पुनरजातापत्याभ्यामेव कृतः समयोऽभूत्—'आवयोः पुत्रवत्याः
पुत्राय दुहितृमत्या दुहिता देया' इति । तातस्तु मां जातां प्रनष्टापत्या'
स्त्रियंवदेति प्रार्थयमानाय विकटवर्मणे दैवाद्दत्तवान् । अयं च निष्ठुरः
पितृद्रेही नात्युपपन्नसंस्थानः कामोपचारेष्वलब्धवैचक्षण्यः कलासु
काव्यनाटकादिषु मन्दाभिनिवेशः शौर्येण्मादी दुर्विकत्थनोऽनृतवादी
चास्थानवर्षी । नातिरोचते म एष भर्ता विशेषतश्चैष वासरेषु । यद्यमुद्यन्ने
मदन्तरङ्गभूतां पुष्करिकामप्युपान्तवर्तिनीमनादृत्य मयि बद्धसापत्न्य-
मत्सरामनात्मज्ञामात्मनाटकीयां रमयन्तिकां नामापत्यनिर्विशेषं मत्संव-

'गाढत्वदर्शनाय दृढत्वज्ञानाय' इति भूषणा । एष चेदिति पूर्वोक्तोऽयमर्थः ।
अतिमानुषो मनुष्यमतिक्रान्तः । प्राणो बलम् । सत्त्वं पराक्रमः । प्रकर्ष आधिक्यं
यस्येति स तथा तस्य । नामेति निश्चयार्थः । अद्यैवेति । स्वस्थैतत्कार्यवटनापदुत्त-
द्योतनार्थमेवकारः । ध्यात्वा विचार्य । गोप्यतममतिशयेन गोप्यमिति तथा । प्रिय-
वयस्या प्रियसखी । अजातापत्याभ्यामनुपपन्नापत्याभ्याम् । समयः शपथः । प्रनष्टा-
पत्या हतापत्या । निष्ठुरः कठिनः । 'नात्युपपन्नसंस्थानोऽननुगुणावयवः' इति भूषणा ।
'उपपन्नं समृद्धे च संपन्नेऽनुगुणेऽपि च ।' इति केशवः । 'संस्थानं मरणे गात्रे संनि-
वेशे च वर्तते' इति भागुरिः । कामोपचारेषु मदनतन्त्रेषु । अलब्धमप्राप्तं वैचक्षण्यं
विचक्षणस्य भावः कौशलं येनेति स तथा । कलासु चतुःषष्ट्याम् । काव्येषु
श्रव्यरूपेषु नाटकादिषु दृश्यरूपेषु च । आदिशब्देन रूपकाख्यायिकाचम्पूरूपेषु ।
मन्त्रे निश्चलोऽभिनिवेश आग्रहो यस्येति । शौर्येण्मादी शौर्येण्मत्तः । दुर्विकत्थनो
दुष्टश्चासौ विकत्थनश्चेति तथा । आत्मश्च धात्रनिर्गन्तः । अस्थानवर्षीपात्रदाता । मे इति
'रुच्यर्थानां प्रियमाणः' इति चतुर्थी । मदन्तरङ्गभूतामासभूताम् । बद्धः सपत्नस्य भावः
सापत्न्यं तस्य मत्सरोऽसह्यता यथेति तथा । नाटकीयां नर्तकीम् । 'नाटकीयो नृत्तकरः'
इत्यजयः । अपत्यनिर्विशेषमपत्यतुल्यमिति क्रियाविशेषणम् । मत्संवर्धितायाः

धितायाश्चम्पकलतायाः स्वयमवचिताभिः सुमनोभिरलमकार्षीत् । मधुप-
भुक्तमुक्ते चित्रकूटगर्भवेदिकागते रत्नतल्पे तया सह व्यहर्षीत् । अ-
योग्यश्च पुमानवज्ञातुं च प्रवृत्तः । तत्किमित्यपेक्ष्यते । परलोकभयं
चैहिकेन दुःखेनान्तरितम् । अविषह्यं हि योषितामनङ्गशरनिषङ्गीभूत-
चेतसामनिष्टजनसंवासयन्त्रणादुःखम् । अतोऽमुना पुरुषेण मामद्योद्यान-
माघवीगृहे समागमय । तद्वार्ताश्रवणमात्रेणैव हि ममातिमात्रं मनोऽनु-
रक्तम् । अस्ति चायमर्थराशिः । अनेनामुष्य पदे प्रतिष्ठाप्य तमेवात्य-
न्तमुपचर्य जीविष्यामि' इति । मयाऽपि तदभ्युपेत्य प्रत्यागतम् । अतः
परं भर्तृदारकः 'प्रमाणम्' इति ।

ततस्तस्या एव सकाशादन्तःपुरनिवेशमन्तर्वैशिकपुरुषस्थानानि प्रमद-
वनप्रदेशानपि विभागेनावगम्य, अस्तगिरिकूटपातक्षुभितशोणित
इव शोणीभवति भानुत्रेम्ब, पार्श्वमाम्बाधिपयःपातनिर्वापितपत-

मःपालितायाः । चम्पकलतायाः अल्पचम्पकस्येत्यर्थः । अवचिताभिर्लूनाभिः सुम-
नाभिः पुष्पैः । 'स्त्रियः सुमनसः पुष्पम्' इत्यमरः । अलमकार्षीत्पूष्णमकरोत् ।
अलंकृतवानिति वा । 'अलं भूषणपर्याप्तिशक्तिवारणवाचकम्' इत्यमरः । मधुप-
भुक्तमुक्ते मयाऽऽदौ उपभुक्ते पश्चान्मुक्ते । चित्रकूटः क्रीडापर्वतः । तद्गर्भवेदिका-
गते । रत्नतल्पे रत्नमञ्चके । तया रमयन्तिकया । व्यहर्षाद्विहारं कृत-
वान् । अयोग्यो मूर्खः । अवज्ञानुमवगम्यन्तुम् । ऐहिकेनेह भवं तथा तेन ।
अन्तरितं व्यवधानीकृतम् । अनङ्गस्य मदनस्य शराणां निषङ्गीभूतं तूणीभूतम् ।
स्थानतां प्राप्तमिति भावः । चेतश्चित्तं यावामिति तथा नासाम् । अनिष्टजनः
शत्रुलोकस्तस्संवासस्तत्प्रमाणमः स एव यन्त्रणा निर्बन्धस्तदुःखमिति ।
अतिमात्रमत्यन्तम् । अस्तीति । अर्थराशिर्देव्यराशिः । अमुष्य विकट-
वर्मणः । उपचर्यारोप्य । मयाऽपि वृद्धतापस्या । तत इति । अन्तःपुरनिवेश-
मन्तःपुरप्रवेशम् । अन्तर्वैशिकपुरुषाः । 'अन्तःपुरे त्वधिकृतः स्यादन्तर्वै-
शिको जनः ।' इत्यमरः । 'प्रमदवनम्'—'विज्ञेयं प्रमदवनं पुरोपकण्ठे शुद्धान्तैः
सह रमते नृपस्तु यस्मिन् ।' इति हलायुधः । विभागेन विवेकेन । अस्तगिरेः कूटं
शिखरं तस्माद्यः पातः पतनं तेन क्षुभितं निःसृतं शोणितं रक्तं यस्येति तथा
तस्मिन् । शोणीभवति सति । पतङ्ग एव सूर्य एवाङ्गारः प्रदीपकाग्रावयवस्तस्य

ज्ञाङ्कारधूमसंभार इव भरितनभसि तमसि विजृम्भिते, परदारपरा-
मर्शोन्मुखस्य ममाचार्यकमिव कर्तुमुत्थिते गुरुपरिग्रह-स्लाघिनि ग्रहाग्रेसरे
क्षपाकरे, कल्पसुन्दरीवदनपुण्डरीकेणैव महर्शनातिरागप्रथमोपनतेन
स्मयमानेन चन्द्रमण्डलेन संधुक्षमाणतेजसि भुवनविजिगीषोद्यते देवे
कुसुमधन्वनि, यथोचितं शयनीयमभजे । व्यचीचरं च - 'सिद्धप्राय
एवायमर्थः । किं तु परकलत्रलङ्घनाद्धर्मपीडा भवेत् । साऽप्यर्थ-
कामयोर्द्वयोरुपलम्भे शास्त्रकारैरनुमतैवेति । गुरुजनबन्धगोक्षोपाग-
संधिनां मया चैष व्यतिक्रमः कृतस्तदपि पापं निर्हृत्य कियत्याऽपि
धर्मकलया मां समग्रयेदिति । अपि त्वेतदाकर्ण्य देवो
राजवाहनः सुहृदो वा किं नु वक्ष्यन्ति ' इति चिन्तापराधीन एव
निद्रया परामृश्ये । अट्टश्यत च स्वप्ने हस्तिवक्रो भगवान् ।
आह स्म च—'सौम्य उपहारवर्मन्, मा स्म ते दुर्विकल्पो भूत् । यत-
स्त्वमसि मदंशः । शंकरजटाभारलालनोचिता सुरसरिदसौ वर-
वर्णिनी । सां च कदाचिन्मद्विलोडनासहिष्णुर्मामशपत्—'एहि

भूमस्तस्य संभारो यस्मिन्निति तथा तस्मिन् । भरितं व्याप्तं नभो येनेति
तथा तस्मिन् । विजृम्भिते प्रसूते । परामर्शो गमनम् । तत्रोन्मुखस्योत्काष्टि-
तस्य । आचार्यकमिवोपदेशमिव । इवशब्देऽत्रोत्प्रेक्षायाम् । गुरुपरिग्रहो गुरुपान्य-
मिलषत्तच्छाघिनि स्लाघतेऽसौ तथा तस्मिन् । ग्रहाग्रेसरे ग्रहमुख्ये । क्षपा-
करे चन्द्रे । 'नक्षत्रेशः क्षपाकरः' इत्यमरः । महर्शनातिरागो महर्शनेच्छा
तेन प्रथमोपनतेन प्रागेव प्राप्तेन । संधुक्षमाणतेजसि प्रवृद्धतेजसि । भुवन-
विजिगीषा जगद्विजंतुमिच्छा तत्रोच्यते उद्युक्ते । अभजेऽधिष्ठितवान् । क्रियाबलादहमिति
पदमध्याहार्यम् । व्यचीचरं चेति । अचिन्तयं च । परकलत्रलङ्घनं परस्त्रीगमनम् ।
धर्मपीडा धर्मनाशः । उपलम्भे प्राप्तौ । शास्त्रकारैर्मन्वादिभिः अनुमतैवानिषिद्धैव ।
संधिः साधकता । अभिसंधिरेतेति पाठ 'अभिसंधिर्योगः' इति भूषणा । व्यतिक्रमो
धर्मनाशरूपः । तदपि पापम् । समग्रयेत्संपूर्णं वरिष्यति । अट्टश्यतेति ।
हस्तिवक्त्रो गजाननः । दुर्विकल्पो दुर्विचारः । सुरसरिदङ्गा । सैवासौ कल्पसुन्दरी ।
वरवर्णिनी । 'उत्तमा वरवर्णिनी' इत्यमरः । मद्विलोडनं मन्त्रेण नदसहिष्णुः

१ भरितनभसि नभसि. २ उपस्थिते. ३ पारग्रहग्रहण. ४ विभुवन. ५ अभिसंधिना.
६ धर्मः कलया. ७ समाश्रयेत् ८ अट्टश्यत स्वप्ने भगवान्भर्गः. ९ मज्जटा. १० तां च
कदाचिद्गजाननो जलक्रीडां कुर्वन्नतिव्यगाहत । सा च सपत्नीनयविहितां विलोडनाम-
सहमाना तपञ्जपत् ।

पक्वेष्टकचितेन गोपुरोपरितलाधिरोहिणा सोपानपथेन भुवमवातरम् ।
 अवतीर्णश्च बकुलवीथीमतिक्रम्य चम्पकावलिवर्त्मना मनागिवोपसृत्यो-
 त्तराहिं करुणं चक्रवाकमिथुनरवमशृणवम् । पुनरुदीचा पाटलिपथेन
 स्पर्शलभ्यविशालसौधकुड्योदरेण शरक्षेपमिव गत्वा पुनः प्राचा पिण्डी-
 भाण्डीरखण्डमण्डितोभयपार्श्वेन सैकतपथेन किञ्चिदुत्तरमतिक्रम्य पुन-
 रवार्चीं चूतवीथीमगाहिपि । ततश्च गहनतरमुद्रोपरचितरत्नवेदिकं
 माधवीलतामण्डपमीषद्विवृतसमुद्रकोन्मिषितभासा दीपवर्त्या न्यरूपयम् ।
 प्रविश्य चैकपार्श्वे फुलपुष्पनिरन्तरकुरण्टपोतपङ्क्तिभित्तिपरिगतं गर्भगृहम्,
 अविनिपतितारुणाशोकलतामयमभिनवकुसुमकोरकपुलकलञ्जितं प्रत्यग्र-
 प्रवालपटलपाटलं कपाटमुद्घाट्य प्राविक्षम् । तत्र चासीत्स्वास्तीर्णी
 कुसुमशयनम्, सुरतोपकरणवस्तुगर्भाश्च कमलिनीपलाशसंपुटाः,
 दन्तमयस्तालवृन्तः, सुरभिसलिलभरितश्च भृङ्गारकः । समुपविश्य मुहूर्तं

कृतेन । 'इष्टकेषीकामालानां चिततूलभारिषु' इति ह्रस्वता । गोपुरस्य पुरद्वारस्थोपरितलं
 तत्राधिरोहो यस्येति । सोपानपथेन सोपानमार्गेणावातरम् । चम्पकावलि-
 वर्त्मना चम्पकश्रेणिमार्गेण । मनागिवोपसृत्योपात्पमिव गत्वा । उत्तराहीत्यव्ययमुत्तरस्थां दिशि
 दूरे इत्यर्थः । 'आहि च दूरे' इत्यादिप्रत्ययः । उदीचा उत्तरेणेत्यर्थः । पाटलिपथेन
 कृष्णवृन्तामार्गेण । सौधं राजसदनम् । कुड्यं भित्तिः । शरक्षेपमिव बाणक्षेपभूमि-
 पर्यन्तमिव । प्राचा पूर्वेण । पिण्डी तगरः । 'पिण्डी स्यात्तगरेऽलबूखजूरीभेदयो-
 रपि ।' इति विश्वः । अथ वा 'रक्ताशोके तु पिण्डी स्यात्' इति वैजयन्ती ।
 भाण्डीरो मल्लिका । खण्डं समूहः । तेन मण्डितानुभौ पार्श्वौ यस्येति तेन । उत्तरमुत्तर-
 देशम् । अवार्चीं दक्षिणाम् । ततश्चेति । ईपदन्तम् । विवृत उद्घाटितः । समुद्रकः
 संपुटकः । उन्मिषितभासा निःसृतदीप्या । एकपार्श्वे एकस्मिन्भागे । फुलानि
 पुष्पाणि येषां ते फुलपुष्पाश्च ते निरन्तराश्च कुरण्टपोता अवरपीतकुरबकाः ।
 'कुरण्टस्तु सुपीतकः' इत्यमरः । तेषां पङ्क्तिः सैव भित्तिस्तत्परिगतं तद्युक्तम् ।
 गर्भगृहं गर्भागारम् । अविनिपतिताः पृथिव्यां लम्बा अरुणा आरक्ता अशोकलता
 अशोकशाखास्तन्मयम् । अभिनवा नूतनाः कुसुमकोरकाः पुष्पमुकुलास्त एव पुल-
 कास्तैर्लान्जितं चिह्नितम् । प्रत्यग्रं नूतनं प्रवालपटलं पल्लवसमूहस्तेन पाटलं श्वतरक्षम् ।
 तत्र चेति । स्वास्तीर्णी सुष्ठ्रास्तरणं यस्मिन्तत् । कुसुमशयनं पुष्पयुक्तं पर्यङ्कम् ।
 सुरतार्थमुपकरणवस्तूनि गर्भे येषामिति । कमलिनीपलाशानां कमलिनीपत्राणाम् ।
 संपुटा द्रोणाः । सुरभिसलिलं सुगन्धोदकं तेन भरितः पूरितः । भृङ्गारकः पात्रविशेषः ।

विश्रान्तः परिमलमतिशयवन्तमाघासिषम् । अश्रौषं च मन्दमन्दं
पदशब्दम् । श्रुत्वैव संकेतगृहानिर्गत्य रक्ताशोकस्कन्धपार्श्वव्यवहिताङ्ग-
यष्टिः स्थितोऽस्मि । सा च सुभूरसुधीमकामा शनैरुपेत्य तत्र
भामदृष्ट्वा बलवदव्यथिष्ट । व्यसृजच्च मत्तराजहंसीव कण्ठरागवल्गु-
गद्गदां गिरम्—‘व्यक्तमस्मि विप्रलब्धा । नास्त्युपायः प्राणितुम् ।
अगि हृदय किमिदमकार्यं कार्यवदध्यवस्य तदसंभवेन किमेवमुत्ता-
भ्यसि । भगवन्पञ्चबाण कस्तवापराधः कृतो मया यदेवं दहसि न
च भस्मीकरोषि ’ इति । अथाहमाविर्भूय विवृतदीपभाजनः ‘भामिनि
ननु बह्वपराद्धं भवत्या चित्तनन्मने यदमुष्य जीवितमूता रतिराकृत्या
कदर्थिता, धनैर्यष्टिर्भूलताभ्याम्, भ्रमरमालामयी ज्या नीलालक-
द्युतिभिः, अन्त्राप्यपाङ्गवीक्षितवृष्टिभिः, महारजनध्वजपटा-
शुकं दन्तच्छदमयूखजालैः, प्रथमसुहृन्मलयमारुतः परिमल-

‘भृङ्गारः कनकालुका’ इत्यमरः । रक्ताशोकस्कन्धस्य पार्श्वे व्यवहिताङ्गयष्टिर्यस्येति
सुधीमः शिशिरः कामो यस्याः सा । ‘सुधीमः शिशिरा जडः’ इत्यमरः । ‘अमुषीम-
कामा ताव्रमन्मथा’ इति भूषणा । बलवदव्यथम् । अन्यथिष्ट । व्यथा प्रापत्यर्थः ।
वल्गुः सुन्दरो गद्गदो यस्या तथा ताम् । विप्रलब्धा प्रतारिता । ‘विप्रलब्धा प्रियं
तत्रादृष्टुं संतापसंकुला’ इति रसरत्नहारः—इति भूषणा । अय्येति खेदोक्त्या कोमला-
मन्त्रणे । अव्ययस्य निश्चिन्य । तदसंभवेन कार्यासंभवेन । उताभ्यस्युत्तमं भवति ।
दहसि दाहमात्रं करोषि । परं तु न भस्मीकरोषीति । भस्मीकरणे दुःखानु-
भवव्यथा न स्यादिति भावः । अथाहमिति । आविर्भूय प्रकटीभूय ।
विवृतदीपभाजन उद्घाटितदीपपात्रः । भामिनीति सकोपकामिनीसंबोधनम् ।
कोपना सैव भामिनी इत्यमरः । चित्तजन्मने मदनस्य । यद्यस्मात् । अमुष्य
चित्तजन्मनः । आकृत्या आकारेण कदर्थिताऽधिष्ठिता । ज्या मौर्वी । नीला श्यामा
मेऽलकाः कुन्तलास्तथा द्युतिभिः कान्तिभिः । अपाङ्गवीक्षितं नेत्रप्रान्तदर्शनम् ।
तद्वृष्टिभिः । महारजनं कुसुम्भम् । ‘स्यात्कुसुमे वार्द्धिशिखं महारजनमित्यपि ।’
इत्यमरः । तद्युक्तो यो ध्वजपटः पताकावत् तस्यांशुरवाशुकम् । दन्तच्छद ओष्ठः ।
जालैः समृद्धः । प्रथमसुहृन्मुष्यमित्रम् । परिमलपटीयसा सौगन्ध्यममर्थेन । परभृतरुतं

पथीयसा निःश्वासपवनेन, परभृतरुतमतिमञ्जुलैः प्रलापैः, पुष्प-
मयी^१ पताका भुजयष्टिभ्याम्, दिग्विजयारम्भपूर्णकुम्भमिथुनमुरोज-
कुम्भयुगलेन, कीडासरो नामिमण्डलेन, संनाह्यरथैः श्रोणिमण्ड-
लेन, भवरत्नतोरणस्तम्भयुगलमृग्युगलेन, लीलाकर्णकिसलयं
चरणतलप्रभामिः । अतः स्थान एव त्वां दुनोति मीनकेतुः ।
मां पुनरनपराधमधिकमायासयतीत्येष एव तस्य दोषः । तत्प्रसीद
सुन्दरि, जीवय मां जीवनौषधिभिरिवापाङ्गैरनङ्गभुजङ्गदष्टम् ।^२
इत्याश्लिष्टवान् । अरीरमं^३ चानङ्गरागपेशलविशाललोचनाम् ।^४
अवसितार्थी चारक्तवैलितेक्षणाम्, ईषत्स्वेदरेखोद्भेदजर्जरितकपोल-
मूलाम्, अनर्गलकैलप्रलापिनीम्, अरुणदशनकररुहार्पणव्यतिकराम्,
अत्यर्थपरिश्रुथाङ्गीमार्तामिव लक्षयित्वा मानसीं शारीरीं च धारणां
शिथिलयन्नात्मानमपि तथा समानार्थमापादयम् । तत्क्षणविमुक्त-
संगतौ रतावसानिकं विधिमनुभवन्तौ चिरपरिचिन्ताविवातिर्गूढविश्रम्भौ
क्षणमवातिष्ठावहि । पुनरहमुष्णमायतं च निःश्वस्य किञ्चिद्दीनदृष्टिः

कोकिलरवः । अतिमञ्जुलैरतिमनोहैः । 'मनोह मञ्जु मञ्जुलम्' इत्यमरः ।
दिग्विजयारम्भे पूर्णकुम्भमिथुनं पूर्णघटद्वन्द्वम् । उरोजकुम्भौ स्तनकलशौ । संनाह्य-
रथः सप्रामार्थं सजीकृतो रथः । रत्नयुक्तौ तोरणस्तम्भौ तथोयुगलम् । कर्णकिस-
लयं कर्णावतंसपल्लवम् । स्थाने युक्तार्थित्यर्थः । 'युक्ते द्वे सांप्रतं स्थाने' इत्यमरः ।
जीवनौषधिभिर्निवापाङ्गैरित्यत्रोपमेयोपमानभावश्चन्द्रमुखवज्ज्ञेयः । अरीरममिति ।
अनङ्गरागेण मदनरागेण पेशलं रम्ये विशाले लोचने यस्यास्ताम् । अवसितार्थी
२. नार्थीम् । वलितं वक्रितमीक्षणमवलोकनं यस्याः । स्वेदरेखा घर्मराजिस्तस्या
उद्भेदः प्रारम्भस्तेन जर्जरितं क्लिष्टं कपोलमूलं यस्यास्ताम् । अनर्गलोऽप्रतिहतः
कलकलः कोलाहलस्तं प्रलपतीति ताम् । अरुणं यदशनकररुहं दन्तनखं तस्यार्पणं करणं
तथ्यतिकरो यस्याः । श्रुथाङ्गी निःसहावयवाम् । मानसी शारीरी च धारणाम् ।
'शरीरधारणा यत्तु भौतिकं तु निरीक्षणम् । मानसं तु मुनीनां स्थादाश्रमेषु
विसर्पणम् । अभ्यासं धारयेदेतो यावत्स्यात्कृतिनिर्वृतिः ॥' इति वात्स्यायनीये
कामशास्त्रे । तथा नायिकया । समानार्थमापादयं समापादयम् । तदिति ।
विमुक्तौ च तौ संगतौ चेति । अनाश्लिष्टस्थताविति भावः । रतावसानिकं
सुरतान्तसमयोचितम् । विधि व्यापारम् । अतिगूढविश्रम्भमावतिगुप्तविश्रामौ ।
क्षणं किञ्चित्कालम् । आयतं दीर्घम् । प्रयातमेव गतमेव । गणय जानीही-

* कूलम्. २० मयी पताकाम्. ३ गयमण्डलम्. ४ अनङ्गरागविशेषज्ञां विशाल०.
५ चिकुरितेक्षणाम्. ६ कलकलप्रलापिनीम्. ७ अकरुण. ८ अतिरुद्ध. ९ नदः १५५ वयसि विभाग-
काले समुपायान् पुनरहमुष्णम्.

सचकितपसारिताभ्यां भुजाभ्यामेनामनतिपीडं परिष्वज्य नातिविशद-
मन्त्रुम्बिषम् । अश्रुमुखी तु सा 'यदि प्रयासि नाथ प्रयातमेव मे
जीवितं गणय । नय मामपि । न चेदसौ दासजनो निष्प्रयोजनः'
इत्यञ्जलिमवतंसतामनैषीत् । अवादिषं च ताम्—'अयि मुग्धे कः
सचेतनः स्त्रियमभिकामयमानां नाभिनन्दति । यदि मदनुग्रहनिश्चल-
स्तवाभिसंधिराचराविचारं मदुपदिष्टम् । आदर्शय रहसि राज्ञे मत्सा-
दृश्यगर्भं चित्रपटम् । आचक्ष्व च—'किमियमाकृतिः पुरुषसौन्दर्यस्य
पारमारूढा न वा' इति । 'बाढमारूढा' इति नूनमसौ वक्ष्यति ।
ब्रूहि भूयः—'यद्येवम्, अस्ति काऽपि तापसी देशान्तरभ्रमण-
लब्धप्रागल्भ्या मम च मातृभूता । तयेदमालेख्यरूपं पुरस्कृत्या-
हमुक्ता—'सोऽस्ति तादृशो मन्त्रो येन त्वमुपोषिता पर्वणि वि-
विक्तायां भूमौ पुरोहितैर्हुतमुक्ते सप्तार्चिषि नक्तमेकाकिनी शतं
चन्दनसमिधः, शतमगुरुसमिधः, कर्पूरमुष्टीः, पट्टवस्त्राणि च
प्रभूतानि हुत्वा भविष्यस्येवमाकृतिः । अथ चालयिष्यसि घ-
ण्टाम् । घण्टापुटकणिताहूतश्च मर्ता भवत्यै सर्वरहस्यमाख्याय
निमीलिताक्षो यदि त्वामालिङ्गेत्, इयमाकृतिरमुमुपसंक्रामेत् ।
त्वं तु भविष्यसि यथा पुराकारैव । यदि भवत्यै भवत्प्रियाय चैवं

त्यर्थः । असौ मद्रूपः । निष्प्रयोजनोऽकिञ्चित्कर इति यावत् । अवतंसतां शिरो-
भूषणताम् । अभिकामयमानामभिकामयतेऽसौ तथा । स्वयमनुरक्तमित्यर्थः ।
यदीति । अभिसंधिरभिप्रायः । रहस्ये मान्ते । मत्सादृश्यगर्भं मत्सादृश्यरूपयुक्तम् ।
इयमाकृतिश्चित्रपटस्था । काऽप्यपरिमितशक्तिः । देशान्तरभ्रमणेनानेकदेशगमनेन
लब्धं प्रागल्भ्यं प्रगल्भता ययेति सा । तादृशः प्रभाववानित्यर्थः । उपोषिताऽऽहार-
वर्जिता । 'उपनासः स विज्ञेयः सर्वाहारविवर्जितः ।' इति स्मृतेः । पर्वण्यमवसर्यः ।
विविक्तायां पूतायां विजनायां वा । 'विविक्तौ पूतविजनौ' इति कोशः । पूर्वं हुतः
प्रश्नान्मुक्तस्तस्मिन् । सप्तार्चिष्यमौ । नक्तं रात्रौ । एकाकिनीत्यत्र 'एकादाकि-
निष्वासहाये' इत्याकिनिचप्रत्ययः । अद्वितीयेत्यर्थः । समिध इति द्वितीया-
बहुवचनम् । कर्पूरमुष्टीः बदकरपरिमितकर्पूरानित्यर्थः । 'मुष्टिर्बदकरे' इति विश्वः ।
एवमाकृतिश्चित्रफलकलिखिताकृतिः । कणितं प्रतिशब्दः । 'कणितं प्रतिशब्दः
स्याद्विगणनादः' इति । उपसंक्रामेत् । संक्रान्ता भविष्यतीत्यर्थः । पुराकारा पूर्वा-

रोचेत्, न चास्मिन्विधौ विसंवादः कार्यः' इति । वपुश्चेदिदं तवामिमत्तं सह सुहृन्मन्त्रिभिरनुजैः पौरजानपदैश्च संप्रधार्य ते-
षामप्यनुमते कर्मण्यभिमुखेन स्थेयम्' इति । स नियतमभ्युपै-
ष्यति । पुनरस्यामेव प्रमदवनवाँटीशृङ्गाटिकायामाथर्वणिकेन वि-
धिना संज्ञपितपशुनाऽभिहुत्य मुक्ते हिरण्यरेतमि तैद्धूमशमनेन
मंप्रविष्टेन मयऽस्मिन्नेव लतामण्डपे स्थातव्यम् । त्व पुनः प्रगाढाया
प्रदोषवेलायामालपिष्यसि कर्णे कृतनर्मस्मिता विकटवर्माणम्—
' धूर्तेऽसि त्वमकृतज्ञश्च । मदनुग्रहलब्धेनापि रूपेण लोकलोचनोत्तम-
वायमानेन मत्सपत्नीरभिरमयिष्यसि । नाहमात्मविनाशाय वेनालो-
त्थापनमाचरेयम् ' इति । श्रुत्वेदं त्वद्वचः स यद्वदिष्यति तन्मह्यमे-
काकिन्युपागत्य निवेदयिष्यसि । ततः परमहमेव ज्ञास्यामि । मत्पद-
चिह्नानि चोपवने पुष्करिकया प्रमार्जय ' इति । सा ' तथा ' इति
शास्त्रोपदेशमिव मदुक्तमादृत्यातृप्तसुरतगौव कथंकथमप्यगादन्तः-
पुरम् । अहमपि यथाप्रवेशं निर्गत्य स्वमेवावासमथासिषम् ।

अथ सा मत्तकाशिनी तथा तमर्थमन्वतिष्ठत् । अतिष्ठच्च तन्मते
स दुर्मतिः । अभ्रमच्च पौरजानपदैर्विषयमद्भुतायमाना वार्ता—' राजा
कृतिः । अस्मिन्विधौ अस्मिन्प्रयोजने । विसंवादः । 'विसंवादोऽन्यथाभावः' इति वैज-
यन्ती । अन्यथाभावो न कार्यः । अभिमनं समतम् । संप्रधार्य निश्चर्य । ' निर्णयः
संप्रधारणम् ' इति । शृङ्गाटिकायामप्यचतुर्थे । ' शृङ्गाटकचतुर्थे ' इत्यमरः ।
आथर्वणिकेन पुरोहितेन । संज्ञपितो मारितो यः पशुस्तेन । ' संज्ञपितं विशासितं
ममालम्बम् ' इति वररुचिः । अभिहुत्य हुत्वा । हिरण्यरेतस्यग्री । त्वं पुनरिति ।
प्रगाढाया मतिदृढायाम् । प्रदोषवेलायां रजनीमुखसमये । आलपिष्यसि
वदिष्यसि । कृतं नर्मस्मत् पीरहासदसितं ययेति सा । धूर्ते वचकः । मदनु-
ग्रहलब्धेन मत्प्रसादप्राप्तेन । लोकलोचनानां लोकनेत्राणामुत्सववदानरतीति
तथा तेन । वेनालोत्थापनं भूतविशेषोत्पादनम् । प्रमार्जय प्रोच्छ्रय । अगृम-
सुरतरगिवांसपूर्णसुरतेच्छैव । कथंकथमपि महता प्रबन्धेन । आवासं वसति-
स्थानम् । अर्थेति । मत्तकाशिन्युत्तमाङ्गना । ' वरारोहा मत्तकाशिन्युत्तमा वरवर्णिनी'
इत्यमरः । तमर्थं मदुपदिष्टं प्रयोजनम् । अन्वतिष्ठत् अकरोदित्यर्थः । स
दुर्मतिर्विकटवर्मा । पौरजानपदेषु नागरिकलोकसंघेषु । अद्भुतायमाना आश्चर्यायमाणा ।

१ रोचेत्, २ अङ्गुष्ठः, ३ समन्वय, ४ कर्मण्यस्मिन्, ५ वीथी, ६ धूमपटलेन सह
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किं विकटवर्मा देशीमन्त्रबलेन देवयोग्यं वपुरासादयिष्यति । नून-
मेव विप्रलम्भो नातिकस्याणः । कैव कथा प्रमादस्य । स्वस्मिन्नेवान्तः-
पुरोपवने स्वाग्रमहिष्यैव संपाद्यः किलायमर्थः । तथा हि बृहस्पति-
प्रतिमबुद्धिभिर्मन्त्रिभिरप्यभ्यूह्यानुमतः । यद्येवं भावि नान्यदतः
परमस्ति किञ्चिदद्भुतम् । अचिन्त्यो हि मणिमन्त्रौषधीनां प्रभावः । ' इति
प्रसूतेषु लोकप्रवादेशु प्राप्ते पर्वदिवसे प्रगाढाया प्रौढतमसि प्रदोष-
हेलायामन्तःपुरोद्यानादुदैर्यदूर्जटिकण्ठधूम्रो धूमोद्गमः । क्षीराज्यदधि-
तिलगौरसर्पपवसामांसरुधिराहुतीनां च परिमलः पवनानुसारी दिशि
दिशि प्रावात्सीत् । प्रशान्ते च सहसा धूमोद्गमे तस्मिन्नहमवि-
शम । निशान्तोद्यानभागमच्च गजगामिनी । आलिङ्ग्य च मां
सस्मितं समभ्यधत्—' धूर्तं सिद्धं ते समीहितम् । अवसितश्च
पशुभौ । अमुष्य प्रलोभनाय त्वदादिष्टया दिशा मयोक्तम्—
' कितव न माधयामि ते सौन्दर्यम् । एवं मुन्दरो हि त्वमप्स-
रसामपि स्पृहणीयो भविष्यसि किमुत मानुषीणाम् । मधुकर

नूनं ध्रुवमेव विप्रलम्भो वचना न किं त्वतिकस्याणः अतिशुभः । कैव कथाः
प्रमादस्य प्रमादः कथमपि न स्यादित्यर्थः । स्वाग्रमहिषी । ' कृताभिषेका
महिषी ' इत्यमरः । तथा हीति । बृहस्पतिप्रतिमा गुरुसमाना बुद्धिर्येषामिति तैः ।
अभ्यूह्य वितर्क्य भावि भविष्यन् । प्रसूतेष्वितस्तनो गतेषु । लोकप्रवादेशु जनवार्तासु ।
प्राप्ते पर्वदिवसेऽमावास्यायाम् । प्रौढतमसि गाढतमसि । अन्तःपुरस्योद्यानमुपवनम् ।
उदैर्यदुदगच्छत् । धूर्जटिकण्ठवद् धूम्रः कृष्णलोहितः । धूमोद्गमो धूमप्रारम्भः ।
क्षीरेति । आज्यं घृतम् । तिलाश्च गौरनर्षपाः गिद्धार्थाश्च । ' सिद्धार्थस्त्वेष धव-
लः ' इत्यमरः । वसा वपा । रुधिरं चैतेषामाहुतीनाम् । परिमलो गन्धः ।
पवनानुसारी यथावायुगामी । दिशि दिशि प्रतिदिशम् । प्रावात्सीत् । आगच्छदित्यर्थः ।
प्रशान्ते विनष्टे । निशान्तोद्यानं गृहोपवनम् । ' निशान्तवस्त्यसदनम् ' इत्यमरः ।
समभ्यधत् । उवाचेत्यर्थः । समीहितमप्यसितम् । अवसितोऽवसानं प्राप्तः । पक्षे
कृतनिश्चयः । अमुष्येति । त्वदादिष्टया दिशा । त्वदादिष्टेन मार्गेणेत्यर्थः । स्पृहणीयः

इव निसर्गचपलो यत्र कचिदासज्जति भवादृशो नृशंसः ' इति । तेन तु मे पादयोर्निपत्याभिहितम्—' रम्भोरु सहस्व मत्कृतानि दुश्चरितानि । मनसाऽपि न चिन्तयेयमितः परमितरनारीम् । त्वरस्व प्रस्तौते कर्मणि ' इति । तदहमीदृशेन वैवाहिकेन नेपथ्येन त्वामभिसूतवती । प्रागपि रागाग्निसाक्षिकमनङ्गेन गुरुणा दत्तैव तुभ्यमेषा जाया । पुनरपीमं जातवेदसं साक्षीकृत्य स्वहृदयेन दत्ता ' इति प्रपदेन चरणगृष्टे निष्पीड्योत्क्षिप्तपादपार्ष्णिरितरेतरव्यतिषक्तकोमलाङ्गुलिदलेन भुजलता-^१ द्वयेन कंधरां ममावेष्ट्य सलीलमाननमानमय्य स्वयमुन्नामेतमुखकमला विभ्रान्तविशालदृष्टिरसकृदभ्यचुम्बत् ।

अथैनाम् ' इहैव कुरण्टकगुल्मगर्भे तिष्ठ यावदहं निर्गत्य साधयेयं साध्य सम्यक् ' इति विसृज्य तामुपसृत्य होमानलप्रदेशमशोकशाखावलम्बिनीं घण्टामचालयम् । अकु-
ञ्च सा तं जनं कृतान्तदूतीवाहयन्ती । प्रार्थितपि चाहर्भगुरु-
चन्दनप्रमुखानि होतुम् । आयासीच्च राजा ययोक्तं देशम् । शङ्का-

अभिलषणीयः । यत्र कचिद्यत्र कुत्रापि । आसज्जः आसक्तो भवति । नृशंसः क्रूरः । प्रस्तुत उपक्रान्ते । वैवाहिकेन विवाहसम्बन्धिना । नेपथ्येन वेगेण । राग एवाग्निः रागाग्निरिच्छाग्निः । गुरुणा पितृभूतेनेत्यर्थः । जातं वेदां धनं यस्मात् जातं त्रेति वेदयने वा इति जातवेदाः तं जातवेदसर्भागम् । प्रपदं पादाग्रम् । ' पादाग्रं प्रपदम् ' इत्यमरः । उत्क्षिप्तेति । ' पादोत्क्षेपणादेव पाण्डुरोत्क्षेपऽपि गोबलीवर्दन्यायात्पृथगुक्तिः ' इति भूषणा । इतरेतरं परस्परम् । व्यतिषक्तं मिलितम् । इतरेतरं व्यतिषक्तानि कोमलाङ्गुलिदलानि यस्य तेन । कंधरां ग्रीवाम् । अथेति । कुरण्टकाः पीतकुरवकाः । ' तत्र शोणं कुरवकस्तत्र पीते कुरण्टकः ' इत्यमरः । तेषां गुल्मः स्तम्भः । ' अप्रकाण्डे स्तम्बगुल्मौ ' इत्यमरः । साध्यं कार्यम् । अचालयं चालितवानस्मि । तं जनं विकटवर्मरूपम् । कृतान्तदूतीव यमदूतीव । प्रार्थितपि प्रवृत्तोऽभवत् । आयासीदिति । अत्र कामन्दकः—' न हि देवीगृहं गच्छेदात्मीयात्संनिवेशनात् । अत्यन्तवल्लभोऽपीह विश्वासं स्त्रीषु न व्रजेत् ॥ देवीगृह-

पन्नमिव किञ्चित्सविस्मयं विचार्य तिष्ठन्तमब्रवम्—‘ ब्रूहि सत्यं
भूयोऽपि मे भगवन्तं चित्रभानुमेव साक्षीकृत्य । न चेदनेन
रूपेण मत्सपत्नीरभिरमयिष्यसि ततस्त्वयीदं रूपं संक्रामयेयम् ’
इति । स तदैव देव्येवेयम्, नोपधिः, इति स्फुटोपजातसंप्रत्ययः
प्रावर्तत शपथाय । स्मित्वा पुनर्मयोक्तम्—‘ किं वा शपथेन ।
कैव हि मानुषी मां परिभविष्यति । यद्यप्सरोभिः संगच्छसे,
‘संगच्छस्व कामम् । कथय कानि ते रहस्यानि । तत्कथनान्ते हि त्व-
त्स्वरूपभ्रंशः ’ इति । सोऽब्रवीत्—‘ अस्ति बद्धो मत्पितुः कनीयान्भ्राता
प्रहारवर्मा । तं विषाग्नेन व्यापाद्याजीर्णदोषं स्थापयेयमिति मन्त्रिभिः
सहाध्यवसितम् । अनुजाय विशालवर्मणे दण्डचक्रं पुण्ड्रदेशाभि-
क्रमणाय दित्सितम् । पौरवृद्धश्च पाञ्चालिकः परित्रातश्च सार्धवाहः
खनतिनाम्नो यवनाद्वज्रमेकं वसुंधरामूल्यं लब्धीयसाऽर्वणे लभ्यमिति
मभैकान्तेऽमन्त्रयेताम् । गृहपतिश्च ममान्तरङ्गभूतो जनपदमहत्तरः
शतहलिरलीकवादशीलमवलेपवन्तं दुष्टग्रामण्यमनन्तसीरं जनपद-

गतं भ्राता भद्रसेनमारयत् । मातुः शय्यान्तरे लीनः कारुषं चौरसः सुतः ॥
लाजान्विषेण संयोज्य मधुनेति विलोभितम् । देवी तु काशिराजेन्द्रं निजघान रङ्गा-
गनम् ॥ विषाक्तेन च सौवीरं मेखलामणिना नृपम् । नूपुरेण च वैरन्त्यं कारुषं दर्पणेन
च ॥ वेण्यां शस्त्रं समाधाय तथैव च विदूरथम् । अहिभुक्तं परिहरेच्छत्रौ
चापि प्रयोजयेत् ॥ ’ इति । शङ्कापन्नमिव प्राप्तसंशयमिव । चित्रभानुमग्निम् ।
संक्रामयेयं योजयेयम् । उपधिः कपटम् । उपजातसंप्रत्ययः प्राप्तविश्वासः । कामं
यथेष्टम् । विषाग्नेन विषमिध्रेणाग्नेन । अजीर्णदोषं विधूचिकाम् । अध्यवसितं
निश्चितम् । दण्डचक्रं सेनाचक्रम् । ‘ दण्डो यमे मां भेदे लघुं दमसैन्ययोः ’
इति विश्वः । पुण्ड्रदेशाभिक्रमणाय तद्देशग्रहणाय । दित्सितं दातुमभिलषितम् । पाञ्चा-
लिकस्तन्नामा । सार्धवाहस्तन्नामा । वज्रं हीरकम् । गृहपतिर्ग्रामाध्यक्षः । ‘ ग्रामाध्यक्षो
गृहपतिः ’ इति कोशः । अन्तरङ्गभूतः आत्मभूतः । जनपदमहत्तरं देशश्रेष्ठः ।
‘ नीवृज्जनपदे देशविधौ रूपवर्तनम् ’ इत्यमरः । शतहलिः शतं हला यस्येति तथा ।
अलीकवादशीलं मिथ्याभाषणस्वभावम् । अवलेपवन्तं सगर्वम् । दुष्टश्चासौ
ग्रामणीश्च तम् । अनन्तधरमेतन्नामकम् । जनपदकोपेन लोककोपेन । दण्डधरः

कोपेन घातयेयमिति दण्डधरानुद्धारकर्मणि मत्प्रयोगान्नियोक्तुमभ्युपा-
गमत् । इत्थमिदमचिरं प्रस्तुतं रहस्यम् ' इत्याकर्ण्य तम् ' इयत्तवापुः ।
उपपद्यस्व स्वकर्मोचितां गतिम् ' इति चक्षुरिकया द्विधाकृत्य कृत्त-
मात्रं तस्मिन्नेव प्रवृत्तस्फीतसर्पिषि हिरण्यरेतस्य जुहवम् । अभू-
च्चासौ भस्मसात् । अथ स्त्रीस्वभावादीषद्विह्वलां हृदयवल्लभां समा-
श्वास्य हस्तकिसलयेऽवलम्ब्य गत्वा तद्गृहमनुज्ञयाऽस्याः सर्वाण्यन्तः-
पुराण्याहूय सद्य एव सेवां दत्तवान् । सविस्मितविलासिनी-
सार्थमध्ये कंचिद्विहृत्य कालं विसृष्टावरोधमण्डलस्तामेव संहतो-
रूमूरूपपीडं भुजोपपीडं चोपगूह्य तल्पेऽभिरमयन्नल्पामिव तां
निशामत्यनैषम् । अलमे च तन्मुखात्तद्राजकुलस्य शीलम् । उ-
पसि स्नात्वा कृतमङ्गलो मन्त्रिभिः सह समगच्छे । तांश्चाब्रवम्—
' आर्याः, रूपेणैव सह परिवृत्तो मम स्वभावः । य एष विषा-
न्नेन हन्तुं चिन्तितः पिता मे स मुक्त्वा स्वमेतद्राज्यं भूय एव
ग्राहयितव्यः । पितृवदमुष्मिन्वयं शुश्रूषयैव वर्तामहे । न ह्यस्ति
पितृवधात्परं पातकम् ' इति । भ्रातरं च निशालवर्माणमाहूयो-
क्तवान्—' वत्स न सुभिक्षाः सांप्रतं पुण्ड्राः । ते दुःखमोहोप-
हतास्त्यक्तात्मानो राष्ट्रं नः समृद्धमभिद्रव्युः । अतो मुष्टिवर्धः

सेनापतिः । उद्धारकर्मणि निर्याणकर्मणि । नियोक्तुं नियोजयितुम् । उपपद्यस्व
प्राप्नुहि । भस्मसादक्षोदशेषः । ' विभाषा सातिः कास्त्र्ये ' इति सातिप्रत्ययः ।
हस्तकिसलये पाणिपल्लवे । सविस्मितः सन्धर्यः । विलासिनीसार्थः स्त्रीसमूहः ।
विसृष्टावरोधमण्डलो विसर्जितान्तःपुरस्त्रीसमूहः । तामेव कल्पमुन्दरीमेव ।
ऊर्वोरूपपीडा यत्रेति क्रियाविशेषणम् । ' सप्तम्यां चोपपीडय- ' इति णमुल् इति तु
भूषणा । भुजोपपीडं च गाढालिङ्गनपूर्वकमिति भावः । तान्मन्त्रिणः । परिस्तः
परावृत्तिं प्राप्तः । " पितृवत् पितरीव । ' तत्र तस्येव ' इति वार्तिः " इति भूषणम् ।
अमुष्मिन्प्रहारवर्गणि । शुश्रूषया सेवया । सुभिक्षाः समृद्धान्नाः । नोऽस्माकम् ।
समृद्धं सस्यादिसंपन्नम् । मुष्टिवर्धो बीजप्रक्षेपघातः । सस्यवधः परिणत-

१ प्रसृतम्. २ कृत्तमात्रम्. ३ ऊर्वोरूपपीडं च. ४ स्थयमेव तद्राज्यम्. ५ सुभिक्षम्
६ वत्साः.

सस्यवधो वा यदोत्पद्यते तदाऽभियास्यसि । नाद्य यात्रा युक्ता ।
 इति नगरवृद्धावप्यलापिषम्—‘अल्पीयसा मूल्येन महार्हं वज्रवस्तु
 माऽस्तु मे लभ्यं धर्मरक्षायै, तदनुगुणेनैव मूल्येनादः क्रीयताम्’
 इति । शतहलि च राष्ट्रमुख्यमाहूयारूयातवान्—‘योऽसावनन्त-
 सीरः प्रहारवर्मणः पक्ष इति निनाशयिषितः, सोऽपि पितरि मे
 प्रकृतिस्ये किमिति नाश्नेत, तत्त्वयाऽपि तस्मिन्संरम्भो न कार्यः’
 इति । त इमे सर्वमाभिज्ञानिकमुपलभ्य ‘स एवायम्’ इति निश्चि-
 न्त्वाना त्रिस्मयमानाश्च मां महादेवी च प्रशंसन्तो मन्त्रबलानि
 चोद्धोषयन्तो बन्धनात्पितरौ निष्कामय्य स्वं राज्यं प्रत्यपादयन् ।
 अहं च तया मे धान्या सर्वमिदं मम चेष्टितं रहसि पित्रोरवगमय्य
 प्रहर्षकाष्ठाधिरूढयोस्तयोः पादमूलमभजे । अभज्ये च यौवराज्य-
 लक्ष्म्या तदनुज्ञातया । प्रसाधितात्मा देवपादविरहदुःखदुर्भगा-
 न्मोगान्निर्विशन्भूयोऽस्य पितृसखस्य सिंहवर्मणो लेख्याच्चण्डवर्मण-
 श्रम्पाभियोगमवगम्य ‘शत्रुवधो मित्ररक्षा चोभयमपि करणीयमेव’
 इत्यलघुना लघुसमुत्थानेन सैन्यचक्रणाभ्यसरम् । अभूवं च भूमिस्त्व-
 त्पादलक्ष्मीसाक्षात्क्रियामहोत्सवानन्दराशेः’ इति ।

श्रुत्वैतद्देवो राजवाहनः सस्मितमवादीत्—‘पश्यत पारतल्पिक-
 भूपधियुक्तमपि गुरुननबन्धव्यसनमुक्तिहेतुतया दुष्टामित्रप्रमापणाभ्यु-
 प्रायतया राज्योपलब्धिमूलतया च पुष्कलवर्धधर्मावप्यरीरधत् ।

धान्यच्छेदः । “यानकालमाह य इवत्वयः—‘यदा सस्यगुणापेतं परराष्ट्रं तदा
 वज्रम्’ इति ।” इति भूषण । नगरवृद्धौ पात्रालिकसार्थयाज्ञौ । महार्हं बहुमूल्यम् ।
 तदनुगुणेन वज्रमण्यनुकूलन । पक्षः सहायः । निनाशयिषितो नाशयितुमिष्टः ।
 प्रकृतिस्ये स्वराज्यस्थिते । तारोन्नतनन्तसीरनाशे । संरम्भ आदरः । आभि-
 ज्ञानिकमभिज्ञानम् । स्वायं ठक् । महादेवीं राजपत्नीम् । उद्धोषयन्तः प्रकटयन्तः ।
 प्रत्यपादयन्दुः । प्रहर्षकाष्ठा संतोषमर्थादा । प्रसाधितात्मोपयुक्तबुद्धिः । देवत्वं
 राजव इनः । दुर्भगान् विरसान् । निर्विशन्नुपभुजन् । चम्पाभियागं चम्पोपद्रावणम् ।
 लघुसमुत्थनेन शांतिप्रगामिना । अभ्यसरं गतवान् । भूमिः स्थानम् । त्वत्पाद-
 लक्ष्मीस्त्वचरणभा तस्याः साक्षात्क्रिया प्रत्यक्षीकरणं स एव महोत्सवः ।
 पारतल्पिकं परस्त्रीगननम् । कर्तृ । उपधियुक्तं कपटयुक्तम् । गुरुजनः पितृ
 जनः । व्यसनं दुःखम् । प्रसापणं मरणम् । राज्योपलब्धिः राज्यप्राप्तिः । पुष्कलो

किं हि बुद्धिर्मत्प्रयुक्तं नाम्युपैति शोभाम् ' इति । अर्थपालमुखे निधाय स्निग्धदीर्घा दृष्टिम् ' आचष्टां भवानात्मीयचरितम् ' इत्यादिदेशः । सोऽपि बद्धाञ्जलिरभिदधे—

इति श्रीदण्डिनः कृतौ दशकुमारचरित उपहारवर्मचरितं नाम तृतीय उच्छ्वासः ।

चतुर्थोच्छ्वासः ।

देव सोऽहमप्येभिरेव सुहृद्भिरकर्मोर्मिमालिनेभिर्भूमिवलयं परिभ्रमन्नुपासरं कदाचित्कोशीपुरीं वाराणसीम् । उपस्पृश्य मणिमङ्गनिर्लाभमसि मणिकर्णिकायामविमुक्तेश्वरं भगवन्तमन्धकमथन्नमभिप्रणम्य प्रदक्षिणं परिभ्रमन्पुरुषमेकमायामवन्तमायसपरिघपोवराभ्यां भुजाभ्यामाबध्यमानपरिकरमविरतरुदितोच्छूनताम्रदृष्टिमद्रक्षम् । अतर्कयं च— ' कर्कशोऽयं पुरुषः, कर्पण्यमिव वर्षति क्षीणतारं चक्षुः, आरम्भश्च साहसानुवादी । नूनमसौ प्राणनिःस्पृहः किमपि कृच्छ्रं प्रियजनव्यसनमूलं प्रपित्सते । तत्पृच्छेयमेनमस्ति चेन्ममापि कोऽपि साहाय्यदानावकाशः तमेनमैम्युपेत्येत्यपृच्छम्—' मद्र संनाहोऽयं साहसमवगमयति । न चेद्गोप्यमिच्छामि श्रोतुं शोकहेतुम् ' इति । स मां सवहुमानं

बहुतरो । अरीरधदसाधयत् । ' राध साध संसिद्धौ ' । अर्थपालो दशकुमारवन्द्यतमः तस्य मुखे । ३ भिदधे वक्तुमुपचक्रमे ।

इति श्रीदशकुमारचरितटीकायां तृतीय उच्छ्वासः ।

देवेति । एककर्माऽनन्यकार्यः । कर्म ख भवदन्वेषणम् । ऊर्मिमालिनेभिः समुद्रावाधिका भूमिः । ' नेमिस्तु चक्रधारायां सीमधर्मवैश्वस्थयोः ' इत्यजयः । उपासरं गतवान् । उपस्पृश्य स्नात्वा । मणिमङ्गो रत्नशकलं तद्वन्निर्मलं शुद्धमम्भो जलं यस्यास्तथा ताम् । अन्धकमथनमन्धकासुरसंहारकं शिवम् । तदुक्तं—' स ब्रजत्यन्धबधस्मादनन्धोऽपि हि भारत । तमन्धकोऽयं नाम्नेति प्रोचुस्तत्र निवासिनः ॥ ' इति । आयामो दैर्घ्यं तद्वन्तम् । आयसः अयोनिर्मितः पारघोऽर्गलः तद्वत्पीवराभ्यां मांसलाभ्याम् । ' कक्षाबन्धः परिकरः ' इति वैजयन्ती । उच्छूनता उघ्ना । कर्कशः कठिनः । क्षीणा म्लाना तारका कर्नानिका यस्येति । आरम्भ उद्योगः । साहसं महत्कर्म । तदनुवादी तद्वोधकः । " साहसानुवादी साहसस्य सदृशः । ' सदृशसदृशसंवादी सजातीयानुवादिनः ' इति दण्डी । " इति भूषणा । कृच्छ्रं कष्टम् । प्रतिपत्स्यते प्राप्स्यति । तद्विति । सहायस्य कर्म भावा वा साहाय्यम् । संनाहः परिकरः ।

१ बुद्धिमाद्भिः प्र०, २ एतन्नास्ति कचित्, ३ म्लानतारम्, ४ प्रतिपत्स्यते, ५ साहाय्यावकाशः, ६ अभ्युपये इति.

निर्वर्ण्य 'को दोषः श्रूयताम्' इति क्वचित्करवीरतले मया सह निषण्णः कथामकार्षीत्—'महाभाग सोऽहमस्मि पूर्वेषु कामचरः पूर्णभद्रो नाम गृहपतिपुत्रः । प्रयत्नसंवर्धितोऽपि पित्रा दैवच्छन्दानुवर्ती चौर्यवृत्तिरासम् । अथास्यां काशीपुर्यामर्यवर्यस्य कस्यचिद्गृहे चोरयित्वा रूपाभिग्राहितो बद्धः । वैध्ये च मयि मत्तहस्ती मृत्युविजयो नाम हिंसाविहारी राजगोपुरोपरितलाधिरूढस्य पश्यतः कामपालनाम्न उत्तमामात्यस्य शासनाज्जनकण्ठरवद्विगुणितघण्टारवो मण्डलितहस्तकौण्डं समभ्यधावत् । अभिपत्य च मया निर्भयेन निर्भर्त्सितः परिणमन्दारुखण्डसुषिरानुप्रविष्टोभयभुजदण्डचण्डघाटितप्रतिमानो भर्त्तवन्न्यवर्तिष्ट' । भूयश्च नेत्रा जातसंरम्भेण निकामदारुणैवाङ्कुशपादपातैरभिमुखीकृतः । मयाऽपि द्विगुणाबद्धमन्युना निर्भर्त्स्याभिहतो निर्वृत्त्यापाद्रवत् । अथ मयोपेत्य सरभसमाक्रुष्टो रूष्टश्च यन्ता 'हन्त

प्राणनिरपेक्षं कर्म साहसमुच्यते । गोप्यमप्रकाश्यम् । निर्वर्ण्य दृष्टुं । करवीरो वृक्षावशेषः । पूर्वेषु पूर्वदेशेषु । कामचरः स्वेच्छागमनकर्ता । 'इषु कामेति देशस्य संज्ञा' इति भूषणा । गृहपतिर्ग्रामाध्यक्षः । दैवच्छन्दो दैववशः । अर्यवर्यस्य वैश्यश्रेष्ठस्य । 'स्यादर्यः स्वामिवैश्ययोः' इत्यमरः । रूपाभिग्राहितश्चौर्यवस्तुनाणकेन ग्राहितो धारितः । 'रूपं श्लोकं यशोनाशकादौ सौन्दर्यशब्दयोः । ग्रन्थावृत्तौ तथाकारे स्वभावे नाणके मृगे ॥' इति महोपः । 'लेप्त्रेण गृहीतः' इति भूषणा । राजद्वारस्य गोपुरं प्रतेली । 'गोपुरं हि प्रतोल्या च नगरद्वारयोरपि' इति महोपः । उपरितल-सूर्ध्वप्रदेशस्तत्राधिरूढस्य । जनकण्ठरवो लोकसन्निध्यशब्दः । 'कण्ठो गले संनिधाने ध्वनौ मदनपादपे' इति विश्वः । मण्डलितं मण्डलाकारं कृतं हस्तकाण्डं शुण्डादण्डः यस्यां क्रियायां इति क्रियाविशेषणम् । निर्भर्त्सितस्तर्जितः । परिणमंस्तिर्यग्दन्त-प्रहारं कुर्वन् । 'तिर्यग्दन्तप्रहारस्तु गजः परिणमो मतः' इति हलायुधः । दारुखण्डं काष्ठखण्डं तस्य सुषिरं खिलं तत्रानुप्रविष्टानुभयभुजदण्डौ ताभ्यां चण्डं यथा तथा घट्टितं संघर्षितं प्रतिमानं यस्य । 'दन्तयोरुभयोरर्धं प्रतिमानं प्रवक्षते ।' इति वैजयन्ती । नेत्रा आधारेण । जातसंरम्भेण जातक्रोधेन । निकामदारुणैरतिकठोरैः । अभिमुखीकृतः संमुखीकृतः । मयाऽपीति । द्विगुणाबद्धमन्युना द्विगुणितक्रोधेन । 'मन्युर्दैन्ये क्रतौ क्रुधि' इत्यमरः । अभिहतस्तुडितः । निवृत्य परावृत्य । अपाद्रव-त्पलायनपरोऽभूदित्यर्थः । अथेति । उपेत्य गत्वा । सरभसं सवेगम् । आक्रुष्ट आक्रोशं प्रापितः । निन्दित इत्यर्थः । यन्ता हस्तिकः । अपसङ्

१ पूर्वेषुकाम०. २ अबध्ये. ३ बद्धे. ४ राजद्वारगोपुर०. ५ काण्डः; मण्डलितकरः. ६ दण्डवदित. ७ भीम इव. ८ पदैः. ९ विवृत्य. १० अनुपत्य. ११ रुष्टः स.

मृतोऽसि कुञ्जरापसद' इति निशितेन वारणेन वारणं मुहुर्मुहुरभि-
घ्नन्निर्याणभागे कथमपि मदभिमुखमकरोत् । अथावाचम्—' अपसरतु
द्विपकीट एषः । अन्यः कश्चिन्मातङ्गपतिरानीयतम्, येनाहं मुहूर्तं
विहृत्य गच्छामि गन्तव्यां गतिम् ' इति । दृष्ट्वैव स मां रुष्टमुद्वर्जन्त-
मुत्क्रान्तयन्तृनिष्ठुगज्ञः पलायिष्ट । मन्त्रिणा पुनरहमाहूयाम्य-
धायिषि—' भद्र मृत्युरेवैष मृत्युविजयो नाम हिंसाविहारी । सोऽयमपि
तावत्त्वैवभूतः कृतः । तद्विरम्य कर्मणोऽस्मान्मलीममात् । किमलमसि
प्रतिपद्यास्मानार्यवृत्त्या वर्तितुम् ' इति । ' यथाऽऽज्ञापितोऽस्मि ' इति
विज्ञापितोऽयं मया मित्रवन्मर्यवर्तिष्ठ ।

पृष्ठश्च मयैकदा रहसि जातविश्रम्भेणाभाषत स्वचरितम्—' आसी-
त्कृष्णपुरे राज्ञो रिपुंजयस्य मन्त्री धर्मपालो नाम विश्रुतधीः
श्रुतर्षिः । अमुष्य पुत्रः सुमित्रो नाम पितृवैव समः प्रज्ञागुणेषु ।
तस्यास्मि द्वैमातुरः कनीयान्भ्राताऽहम् । वेशेषु विलसन्तं मामसौ
विनयरुचिरवारयत् । अवार्यदुर्नयश्च हमपसृत्य दिङ्मुखेषु भ्रम-
न्यदृच्छयाऽस्यां वाराणस्यां प्रमदवने मदनदमनाराधनाय निर्गत्य
सह सखीभिः कन्दुकेनानैकीडमानां काशीभर्तृश्चण्डसिंहस्य कन्यां

अधम । ' निहीनेऽपसदो जन्मः ' इति वैजयन्ती । निशितेन तीक्ष्णेन । वारणे-
नाङ्कुशेन । वारणं गजम् । ' वारणस्तु गजे प्रोक्तो वारणं तन्निवारणे ' इत्यजयः ।
निर्याणभागेऽपाङ्गदेशे । ' अपाङ्गदेशो निर्याणम् ' इत्यमरः । द्विपकीटो हास्तकीटः ।
गन्तव्यां प्राप्तव्यां गतिम् । मरणमित्यर्थः । स गजः । उद्वर्जन्तं दीर्घस्वरं वदन्तम् ।
उत्क्रान्ताऽतिक्रान्ता यन्तुराधोरणस्य निष्ठुरा कृग आज्ञा येनेति । अभ्यधायिष्यामिदितः ।
मृत्युविजय एतन्नामा गजः । अस्मात्कर्मणश्चौर्यरूपात् । मलीमसान्मलिनात् ।
अलमसि शक्तोऽसि । आर्यवृत्त्या श्रेष्ठवृत्त्या । अयममात्यः । मयेति । रहसि
एकान्ते । विश्रम्भो विश्वासः । आसीदिति । रिपुंजयस्यैतन्नाम्नः । श्रुतर्षिधीत-
वेदः । ' श्रुतऋषिः । ' ऋग्यजुः ' इति प्रकृतिभावः " इति भूषणा ।
प्रज्ञागुणेषु धीगुणेषु । ते गुणाः षट्—' शुभ्रूषा प्रहणं चैव श्रवणं चावधारणम् ।
ऊहापोहोऽर्थविज्ञानं तत्त्वज्ञानं च धीगुणाः ॥ ' इति कामन्दके । द्वैमातुरो
द्वयोर्मात्रोरपत्यम् । द्वैमातृज इत्यर्थः । ' मातुरुसंह्या—' इत्युदादेशः । वेशेषु
वेशासु । असौ सुमित्रनामा ज्येष्ठभ्राता । अवार्यदुर्नयोऽवार्यो दूरीकर्तुमशक्यो
दुर्नयो दुर्नीतिर्यस्यति सः । दिङ्मुखेषु दिगन्तेषु । प्रमदवनेऽन्तःपुरोन्नितवने । ' स्याद-
तदेव प्रमदवनमन्तःपुरोन्नितम् । ' इत्यमरः । मदनदमनः मदनशत्रुर्महादेशः । तदा-

१ द्विरदवराकः, २ उत्क्रामन्तम्, ३ मृत्युरिवैष, ४ यथाऽऽज्ञापयति ५ नाम श्रुतऋषि-
वेदश्रुतऋषिः, ६ परिक्रीडमानाम्, ७ क्रीडमाना कन्या कान्तिमती नाम चक्रे,

कान्तिमती नाम चकमे । कथमपि समगच्छे च । अथ च्छन्नं
 विहरता कुमारीपुरे सा मयाऽऽसीदापन्नसत्त्वा । कंचित्सुतं च प्रसूतवता ।
 मृतजात इति सोऽपविद्धो रहस्यनिर्भेदमयात्परिजनेन क्रीडाशैले ।
 शबर्था च श्मशानाभ्यासं नीतः । तथैव निवर्तमानया निशीथे राज-
 वीथ्यामारक्षिकपुरुषैरभिगृह्य तर्जितया दण्डपारुष्यभीतया निर्भिन्नप्रायं
 रहस्यम् । राजाज्ञया निशीथेऽहमक्रीडनगिरिदरीगृहे विश्रब्धप्रसूत-
 स्तयोपदर्शितो यथोपपन्नरज्जुबद्धः श्मशानमुपनीय मातङ्गोद्यतेन कृपा-
 णेन प्राजिहीष्ये । नियतिबलाद्धूनबन्धस्तमसिमाच्छिद्यान्त्यजं तम-
 न्यांश्च कांश्चित्प्रहृत्यापासरम् । अशरणश्च भ्रमन्नटव्यामेकदाऽश्रुमुख्या
 कथाऽपि दिव्याकारया संपरिचारया कन्ययोपास्थायिषि । सा माम-
 ज्जलिकिसलयोत्तंसितेन मुखविलोककुन्तलेन मूर्ध्ना प्रणम्य मया सह
 वनवटद्रुमस्य कस्यापि महतः प्रच्छायशीतले तले निषण्णा ' काऽसि
 वासु, कुतोऽस्यागता, कस्य हेतोरस्य मे प्रसीदसि ' इति सामिलिष-
 माभाषिता मया बाङ्मयं मधुवर्षमवर्षत्—' आर्य, नाथस्य यक्षाणां
 मणिभद्रस्यास्मि दुहिता तारावली नाम । साऽहं कदाचिदगस्त्य-
 पत्नी लोपामुद्रां नमस्कृत्यापावर्तमाना मलयगिरेः परेतावासे वार्ग-
 णस्याः कमपि दारकं रुदन्तमद्राक्षम् । आदाय चैनं तीव्रस्नेहान्मम

राधनाय तत्पूजनाय । चकमे अभिलषितवान् । अथोति । छन्नं गुप्तम् ।
 आपन्नसत्त्वा जातगर्भा । ' आपन्नसत्त्वा स्याद्दुर्विष्यन्तवर्त्ता च गर्भिणी । ' इत्यमरः ।
 अपविद्धस्यक्तः । रहस्यं गोप्यं तस्य निर्भेदः प्रकटीभावस्तस्माद्भयं भीतिस्त-
 स्मात् । शबर्था मिलिता । अभ्यासं समीपम् । आरक्षिकपुरुषैः संरक्षणकारकपुरुषैः ।
 तर्जितया भीषितया । दण्डपारुष्यं मारणादि । निर्भिन्नप्रायं प्रकाशितप्रायम् ।
 निशीथेऽश्वरात्रे । आक्रीडनगिरिदरीगृहे क्रीडापर्वतकन्दरायामित्यर्थः । यथोपपन्न-
 रज्जुबद्धो यथाप्रसूतदोरकबद्धः । मातङ्गश्रृण्ढालः । कृपाणेन खड्गेन । प्राजिहीष्ये
 प्रदत्तुमिष्टः । नियतिबलाददृष्टप्रभावात् । तमसि मातङ्गकरकृपाणम् । आच्छिद्यापहृत्य ।
 अशरणो गृहरक्षकहीनः । दिव्यः स्वर्ग्य आकारो यस्यास्तया । परिचारः सेवा लक्ष-
 णया तदुपकरणानि तन्ममेतया । उपास्थायिषि समीपवर्त्तया । अज्जलिकिसलयोत्त-
 संसितेनाज्जलिपल्लवशिखरितेन । मुखे विलोलाः कुन्तलाः केशा यस्येति तथा तेन ।
 बाङ्मयं वाक्प्रचुरम् । मधुवर्षं मधुवृष्टिम् । परेतावासे महाश्मशान इत्यर्थः । दारकं

१ सूतजातः. २ अक्रीड. ३ बन्धनः. ४ उद्भुमुख्या. ५ सपरिवारया. ६ प्रणिपत्य.

७ नाथ. ८ वाराणस्याम्. ९ नीबलेहा.

पित्रोः संनिधिमनैषम् । अनैषीच्च मे पिता देवस्यालकेश्वरस्यास्थानीम् ।
अथाहमाहुयाज्ञसा हरसखेन—‘ बाले, बालेऽस्मिन्कीदृशस्ते भावः ’ इति ।
‘ औरस इवास्मिन्वत्से वत्सलता ’ इति मया विज्ञापितः ‘ सत्यमाह
वराकी ’ इति तन्मूलमतिमहतीं कथामकरोत् । तत्रैतावन्मयाऽवगतम् ।
त्वं किल शौनकः शूद्रकः कामपालश्चाभिन्नः । बन्धुमती विनयवती
कान्तिमती चाभिन्ना । वेदिमत्यार्यदासी सोमदेवी चैकैव । हंसावली
शूरसेना सुलोचना चानन्या । नन्दिनी रङ्गपताकेन्द्रसेना चापृथग्भूता ।
या किल शौनकावस्थायामग्निसाक्षिकमात्मसात्कृता गोपकन्या सैव
क्रियार्यदासी पुनश्चाद्य तारावलीत्यभूवम् । बालश्च किल शूद्रकावस्थे
त्वय्यार्यदास्यवस्थायां मय्युदभूत् । अवर्धयत च विनयवत्या स्नेहवासनया ।
स तु तस्यां कान्तिमत्यवस्थायामद्योदभूत् । एवमनेकमृत्युमुखपरिभ्रष्टं
दैवान्मयोपलब्धं तमेकपिङ्गादेशाद्वने तपर्यतो राजहंसस्य देव्यै वसुमत्यै
तत्सुतस्य भाविचक्रवर्तिनो राजवाहनस्य परिचर्यार्थं समर्प्य गुरुभि-
रभ्यनुज्ञाता कृतान्तयोगात्कृतान्तमुखभ्रष्टस्य ते पादपद्मशुश्रूषार्थ-
मागताऽस्मि’ इति ।

तच्छ्रुत्वा तामनेकजन्मरमणीमसकृदाश्लिष्य हर्षाश्रुमुखो मुहुर्मुहुः
सान्त्वयित्वा तत्प्रभावदर्शिते महति मन्दिरेऽहर्निशं भूमिदुर्लभान्मो-

बालकम् । अलकेश्वरस्य कुबेरस्य । आस्थानीं सभाम् । ‘ आस्थानीं क्लीबमास्था-
नम् ’ इत्यमरः । हरसखेन कुबेरेण । बाले कन्ये इति संबोधनं प्रथमम् । बालेऽस्मिन्निति
अस्मिन्बालक इत्यर्थः । भावः स्नेहः । औरस उरसि भवस्तस्मिन् । पुत्र इति यावत् ।
वत्सलता स्नेहः । वराकी कृपार्हा । तन्मूलां बालकमूलाम् । तत्रेति । त्वं काम-
पालः । त्रिष्वपि जन्मसु नामैव भिन्नः न तु स्वरूपेणेति । शौनकावस्थायां बन्धुमती
वेदिमती हंसावली नन्दिन्यश्चतस्रः । शूद्रकावस्थायां विनयवत्यार्यदासी शूरसेना
रङ्गपताका । कामपालावस्थायां कान्तिमती सोमदेवी सुलोचनेन्द्रसेना । एताभित्सो-
ऽभिन्नाः । एव रूपा इत्यर्थः । वेदिमतीप्रभृतयस्तिस्त्रोऽप्यभिन्नाः । हंसावलीप्रभृत-
यस्तिस्त्रोऽप्यभिन्नाः । नन्दिनीमुखाः तिस्राऽप्यभिन्नाः । शौनकावस्थायाम् । आत्म-
सात्कृता परिणीतेत्यर्थः । अनेकमृत्युमुखेत्यत्र ‘ कान्तिमतीसखीभिः क्रीडागिरौ त्यक्तं
शष्यार्थं च शमशाने ’ इति भूषणा । एकपिङ्गादेशात्कुबेरादेशात् । कृतान्तयोगाद्देवयोगात् ।
कृतान्तमुखभ्रष्टस्य यममुखनिर्गतस्य । ‘ कृतान्तो यमसिद्धान्तदैवाकुशलकर्मसु । ’
इत्यमरः । तत्प्रभावदर्शिते तारावलीसामर्थ्यप्रकटीकृते । अहर्निशं दिवारात्रम् ।

ग नन्वभूवम् । द्वित्राणि दिनान्यतिक्रम्य मत्तकाशिनीं तामवादि-
षम्—‘ प्रिये प्रत्यपकृत्य मत्प्राणद्रोहिणश्चण्डसिंहस्य वैरनिर्यातन-
सुखमनुबुभूषामि ’ इति । तया सस्मितमभिहितम्—‘ एहि कान्त,
कान्तिमतीदर्शनाय नयामि त्वाम् ’ इति । स्थितेऽर्धरात्रे राज्ञो वास-
गृहमनीये । ततस्तच्छिरोभागवर्तिनीमादायासियाष्टिं प्रबोध्यैनं प्रस्फुरन्त-
मब्रवम्—‘ अहमस्मि भवज्जायामाता भवदनुमत्या विना तव कन्या-
भिमर्षा । तमपराधमनुवृत्त्या प्रमार्ष्टुमागतः ’ इति । सोऽतिभीतो मामभि-
प्रणम्याह—‘ अहमेव मूढोऽपराद्धः, यस्तव दुहितृसंसर्गानुग्राहिणो
ग्रहग्रस्त इवोत्क्रान्तसीमा समादिष्टवान्वधम् । तदास्ता कान्तिमती,
राज्यमिदं मम च जीवितमप्यद्यप्रभृति भवैदधीनम् ’ इत्यवादीत् । अथा-
परेद्युः प्रकृतिमण्डलं संनिपात्य विधिवदात्मजायाः पाणिमग्राहयत् ।
अश्रावयच्च तनयवार्तां तारावलीं कान्तिमत्यै, सोमदेवीसुलोचनेन्द्र-
सेनाभ्यश्च पूर्वजातिवृत्तान्तम् । इत्थमहं मन्त्रिपदापदेशं यौवराज्यमनु-
भवान्वहरामि विलासिनीभिः ’ इति ।

स एवं मादृशेऽपि जन्तौ परिचर्यानुबन्धी बन्धुरेकः सर्वभूतानाम-
लसकेन स्वर्गते श्वशुरे, ज्यायसि च श्याले चण्डघोषनाम्नि स्त्रीष्वति-
प्रसङ्गात्प्रागेव क्षयक्षीणायुषि, पञ्चवर्षदेशीयं सिंहघोषनामानं कुमार-

मत्तकाशिनीमुत्तमां स्त्रियम् । अवादिषमत्राचम् । प्रत्यपकृत्य प्रत्यपकारं कृत्वेत्यर्थः ।
वैरनिर्यातनं वैरशुद्धिः । अनुबुभूषाम्यनुभवितुमिच्छामि । तया तारावल्या ।
वामगृहं गर्भागारम् । तत इति । एनं चण्डसिंहम् । प्रस्फुरन्तं कम्पमानम् ।
अनुवृत्त्या सेवया । प्रमार्ष्टुं दूरीकर्तुम् । अपराधः कृतापराधः । दुहितृसंसर्गानुग्राहिणः
कन्यासंसर्गकृपाकर्तुः । उत्क्रान्तसीमोऽज्झतमर्यादः । कान्तिमती कन्या । अथेति ।
प्रकृतिमण्डलं प्रज्ञासमूहम् । मन्त्रिपदस्यापदेशो मिषम् । २ एवमिति पूर्णभद्रोक्तिः ।
परिचर्यानुबन्धी सेवानुबन्धी । अलसकेन क्षयेण । ‘ क्षयस्त्वलसको मतः ’ इति
वैजयन्ती । ज्यायसि ज्येष्ठे । श्याले पत्नीभ्रातरि । ‘ श्यालाः स्युर्भ्रातरः पत्न्याः ’
इत्यमरः । अतिप्रसङ्गादतियोगादत्यन्तासक्तेरित्यर्थः । ‘ अतियोगवियोगाद्वा क्षयो भवति
जन्मनः ’ इति निदानम् । पञ्चवर्षदेशीयमीषदसमाप्तपञ्चवर्षदशम् । ‘ ईषदसमाप्तौ
कल्पद्वेदयदेशीयः ’ इति देशीयप्रत्ययः । यौवनेन्मादिनस्तास्योन्मादवतः ।

मभ्यषेचयत् । अवर्षयच्च विधिनैनं स साधुः । तस्याद्य यौवनोन्मादिनः
पैशुन्यवादिनो दुर्बन्त्रिणः कतिचिदासन्नन्तरङ्गभूताः । तैः किलासावि-
त्यमग्राह्यत—‘ प्रसह्यैव स्वसा तवामुना भुजङ्गेन संगृहीता । पुनः
प्रसृप्ते राजनि प्रहर्तुमुद्यतासिरासीत् । तेनास्मै तर्क्षणप्रबुद्धेन भर्त्याऽनु-
नीय दत्ता कन्या । तं च देवज्येष्ठं चण्डवोषं विषेण हत्वा बालोऽय-
ससमर्थ इति त्वमद्यापि प्रकृतिविश्रम्भणायोपेक्षितः । क्षिणोति च
पुरा स कृतघ्नो भवन्तम् । तमेवान्तकपुरमभिगमयितुं यतस्व ’ इति ।
स तथा दूषितोऽपि यक्षिणीभयान्नामुष्मिन्पापमाचरितुमशकत् । एषु
किल दिवसेष्वयैथापूर्वमाकृतौ कान्तिमत्याः समुपलक्ष्य राजमहिषी
सुलक्षणा नाम सप्रणयमपृच्छत्—‘ देवि नाहमयथातथ्येन विप्र-
लम्भनीया । कथय तथ्यं केनेदमयथापूर्वमोननारविन्दे तवैषु वासरेषु ’
इति । सा त्ववादीत्—‘ भद्रे स्मरसि किमद्याप्ययथातथ्येन किञ्चिन्मयो-
क्तपूर्वम् । सखी मे तारावली सपत्नी च किमपि कलुषिताशया
रहसि भर्त्रा मद्गोत्रापदिष्टा प्रणयमप्युपेक्ष्य प्रणम्यमानाऽप्यस्मा-
मिहपोढमत्सरा प्रावसत् । अवसीदति च नः पतिः । अतो मे
दौर्मनस्यम् ’ इति । तत्प्रायेणैकान्ते सुलक्षणाया कान्ताय कथितम् ।

पैशुन्यं दौर्जन्यम् । दुष्टजनोचितमित्यर्थः । तद्वदन्तीति तथा । दुर्बन्त्रिणो दुष्टप्रधानाः ।
अन्तरङ्गभूता आसतराः । अग्राह्यत अवोध्यतेत्यर्थः । अमुनेति मामुद्दिश्योक्तिः ।
भुजङ्गेन विटेन । उद्यतासिरूर्ध्वकृतखट्वः । अनुनीय सान्त्वयित्वा । विश्रम्भणं
विश्वासः । क्षिणोति च पुरा । क्षयिष्यतीत्यर्थः । ‘ यावत्पुरानिपातयोर्लट् ’ । भवन्तं
सिद्धवोषम् । अभिगमयितुं प्रापयितुम् । दूषितो भेदितः । अमुष्मिन्कन्यावृषके । पापं
हननरूपम् । अयथापूर्वमयथाभावम् । नवीनमित्यर्थः । आकृतौ शरीरे । यथातथं
वास्तवं तस्याभावः तेन अयथातथ्येन । असत्येनेत्यर्थः । विप्रलम्भनीया प्रतारणी-
येत्यर्थः । तथ्यं सत्यम् । सा कान्तिमती । भद्रे इति सुलक्षणासंबोधनम् । कलुषिताशया
मलिनितज्जुद्धिः । मद्गोत्रापदिष्टा मन्नाम्नाऽऽहूता । गोत्रं नाम्नि कुलेऽचले’ इति वैजयन्ती ।
प्रणयं प्रीतिम् । उपोढमत्सरा प्ररुढद्वेषा । दौर्मनस्यं दौर्ध्रित्यम् । प्रायेण बाहुल्येन ।

१ वैवास्तव्येन. २ प्रभावात्; प्रभावभयात्. ३ अयथापूर्वम्. ४ अयथातथ्येन.
५ आननारविन्दम्. ६ अभ्युपेक्ष्य.

अथासौ निर्भयोऽद्य प्रियतमाविरहपाण्डुभिरवयवैर्धैर्यस्तम्भिताश्रुपर्याकुलेन चक्षुषोष्मश्वासशोषिताभिरिवानतिपेशलाभिर्वाग्भिर्वियोगं दर्शयन्तं कथमपि राजकुले कार्याणि कारयन्तं, पूर्वसंकेतितैः पुरुषैरभिग्राह्याचन्वयत् । तस्य किल स्थाने स्थाने दोषानुद्धोष्य तथोद्धरणीये चक्षुषी यथा तन्मूलमेवास्य मरणं भवेत् ' इति । अतोऽत्रैकान्ते यथेष्टमश्रु मुक्त्वा तस्य साधोः पुरः प्राणान्मोक्तुकामो बध्नामि परिकरम् ' इति ।

मयाऽपि तत्पितृव्यसनमाकर्ण्य पर्यश्रुणा सोऽभिहितः—' सौम्य, किं तव गोपायित्वा । यस्तस्य सुतो यक्षकन्यया देवस्य राजवाहनस्य पादशुश्रूषार्थं देव्या वसुमत्या हस्तन्यासः, कृतः सोऽहमस्मि । शक्यमि सहस्रमपि सुभटानामुद्रायुधानां हत्वा पितरं मोचयितुम् । अपि तु संकुले यदि कश्चित्पातयेत्तदङ्गे शस्त्रिकां सर्व एव मे यत्नो भस्मनि हुतमिव भवेत् ' इति । अनवासितवचन एव मयि महानाशीविषः प्राकाररन्ध्रेणोदैरयच्छिरः । तमहं मन्त्रौषधिबलेनाभिगृह्य पूर्णभद्रमब्रवीम्—' भद्र सिद्धं नः समीहितम् । अनेन तातमलक्ष्यमाणः संकुले यदृच्छया पतितेन नाम दंशयित्वा तथा विषं स्तम्भयेयं यथा मृत इत्युदास्येत । त्वया तु मुक्तसाध्वसेन माता मे बांधयितव्या—' यो यक्ष्या वने देव्या वसुमत्या हस्तार्पितो युष्मत्सूनुः सोऽनुप्राप्तः पितुरवस्थां मदुपलभ्य बुद्धिबलादित्यमानरिष्यति । त्वया तु मुक्तत्रामया राज्ञे प्रेषणीयम्—' एष खलु

अर्थोक्ति । ' अथ स्वस्त्रीमुखात्तारावलीकामपालयोर्वियोगश्रवणोत्तरम् ' इति भूवणा । असौ राजा । धैर्येण स्तम्भितान्दशूणि तैः पर्याकुलेन । अनतिपेशलाभिरनतिकोमलाभिः । पूर्वसंकेतितैः प्रागेव मन्त्रितैः । अभिग्राह्य ग्राहयित्वा । उद्धोष्योद्धास्य । उद्धरणीये निष्कासनीये । मोक्तुकामस्यक्तुकामः । ' लुम्पेदवश्यमः कृत्ये तुष्काममनसोरपि । समो वा हितततयोर्मासस्य पचियुज्ज्वलोः ॥ ' इति मकारलोपः । पर्यश्रुणा कृतरोदनेन । हस्तन्यासो हस्तनिक्षेपः । उद्रायुधानामद्यतशङ्काणाम् । संकुले संबाधे । नदङ्गं पितुरङ्गे । अनवसितवचनेऽसमाप्तवचने । आशीविषः सर्पः । आशिषि विषमस्य । पृषोदरादिस्वादीर्षसलोपौ । उदैरयत् । ऊर्ध्वमकरोदित्यर्थः । समीहितं वाञ्छितम् । यदृच्छया दैवेन । स्तम्भयेयं स्तम्भितं करिष्ये । त्वया पूर्णभद्रेण । मुक्तसाध्वसेन त्यक्तभयेन । मदुपलभ्य मत्तो ज्ञात्वा । निग्रह्यो निग्रहीतव्यः ।

१ निर्भरोद्यत्प्रियः । २ स्थानस्थानेषु । ३ दोषम् । ४ हस्ते न्यासः । ५ अपविश्येन ; उत्सृज्येत । ६ मुक्तसाध्वसया ।

क्षत्रधर्मो यद्वन्धुरबन्धुर्वा दुष्टः स निरपेक्षं निग्राह्य इति । स्त्रीधर्म-
श्चैष यददुष्टस्य दुष्टस्य वा मर्तुर्गतिर्गन्तव्येति । तदहममुनैव सह
चिताग्निमारोक्ष्यामि । युर्वतिजनानुकूलः पश्चिमो विधिरनुज्ञातव्यः '
इति । स एवं निवेदितो नियतमनुज्ञास्यति । ततः स्वमेवागारमानीय
काण्डपटीपरिक्षिप्ते विविक्तोद्देशे दर्भसंस्तरणमधिशाय्य स्वयं कृतानु-
मरणमण्डनया त्वया च तत्र संनिधेयम् । अहं च बाह्यकक्षागतस्त्वया
प्रवेशयिष्ये । ततः पितरमुज्जीव्य तदभिरुचितेनाभ्युपायेन चेष्टि-
प्यामहे ' इति । स ' तथा ' इति हृष्टतरस्तूर्णमगमत् ।

अहं तु घोषणास्थाने चिञ्चावृक्षं धैनतरविपुलशाखमारुह्य गूढतनु-
रतिष्ठम् । आरूढश्च लोको यथायथमुच्चैःस्थानानि । उच्चावच-
प्रलापाः प्रस्तुताः । तावन्मे पितरं तस्करमिव पश्चाद्बद्धभुजमुद्धरध्वनि-
महाजनानुयातमानीय मदभ्यास एव स्थापयित्वा मातङ्गस्त्रिघो-
षयत्—' एष मन्त्री कामपालो राज्यलोभाद्धर्तारं चण्डर्षिहं,
युवराजं चण्डश्रोणं च विषाक्षेनोपांशु हत्वा पुनर्देवोऽपि सिंहघोषः
पूर्णयौवन इत्यमुष्मिन्पापमाचरिष्यन्विश्रान्ताद्रहस्यभूमौ पुनरमात्यं
शिवनागमाहूय स्थूणमङ्गारवर्षं च राजवधायोपजप्य तैः स्वामिभक्त्या
विवृतगुह्यो राज्यकामुकस्य ब्राह्मणस्यान्धतमसप्रवेशो न्याय्य इति
प्राड्डिवाकवाक्यादक्ष्युरद्विषणाय नीयते । पुनरन्योऽपि यदि स्यादन्याय-

युवतिजनानुकूलः स्त्रीलोकानुगुणः । ' अभिजनानुरूपः ' इति पाठे वंशानुरूप इत्यर्थः ।
संततिगोत्रजननकुलान्यभिजनान्वदौ ' इत्यमरः । पश्चिमश्चरमः । काण्डपटीपरिक्षिप्ते
तिरस्करिणीपरिवृते । ' अपटी काण्डपट्टः स्यात्प्रतिसीरा जवन्यपि । तिरस्करिणी '
इति हैमः । दर्भसंस्तरणं दर्भास्तरणम् । बाह्यकक्षा बहिःप्रकाष्ठः । तदभिरुचितेन
पितुरभिमतम् । स पूर्णभद्रः । तूर्णं सत्वरम् । अहमिति । घोषणास्थाने डिण्डिम-
स्थले । गूढतनुर्गुप्तशरीरः । उच्चावचप्रलापा उच्चनीचवचनानि । उद्धाध्वनीति क्रिया-
विशेषणं महाजनविशेषणं वा । मदभ्यासे मत्प्रमीपे । मातङ्गस्त्रिणालः । उपांशु
रहसि । अमुष्मिन्सिंहघोषे । शिवनागं तन्नामानम् । स्थूणमङ्गारवर्षं चेति द्वावय-
मास्यौ । उपजप्य भेदं कृत्वा । तैर्मन्त्रिभिः । विवृतगुह्यः प्रकटीकृतमन्त्रः । अन्धं
च तत्तमश्चान्धतमसम् । ' अवसमन्धेभ्यस्तमसः ' इत्यच् । प्राड्डिवाको व्यवहार-
निर्णायकः । ' द्रष्टरि व्यवहाराणां प्राड्डिवाकाक्षदर्शकौ ' इत्यमरः । अक्षुद्धरणाय

वृत्तिस्तमप्येवमेव यथार्हेण दण्डेन योजयिष्यति देवः ' इति । श्रुत्वा तद्वद्वकलकले महाजनैः पितुरङ्गे प्रदीप्तशिरसमाशीविषं न्यैक्षिषम् । अहं च भीतो नामावप्लुत्य तत्रैव जनानुशीनः क्रुद्धव्यालदष्टस्य तातस्य विहितजीवरक्षो विषं क्षणादस्तम्भयम् । अपतच्च स भूमौ मृतकल्पः । प्रालप्य च—' सत्यमिदं राजावमानिनं दैवो दण्ड एव स्पृशतीति । यदयमक्षिभ्यामवनिपेन विनाचिकीर्षितः प्राणैरेव वियोजितो विधिना ' इति । ममुक्तं च केचिदन्वमन्यन्त, अपरे पुननिर्निन्दुः । दर्शकरस्तु तमपि चण्डालं दष्टाऽऽरूढत्रामद्रुतलोकदत्तमार्गः प्राद्रवत् ।

अथ मदम्भा पूर्णभद्रबोधितार्था तादृशेऽपि व्यसने नाति-विह्वला कुलपरिजनानुयाता पद्मचामेव धीरमागत्य मत्पितुरुत्तमाङ्ग-मुत्तमङ्गे धारयन्त्यासित्वा राज्ञे समादिशत्—' एष मे पतिस्तवाप-कर्ता न वेति दैवमेव जानाति । न मेऽनयाऽस्ति चिन्तया फलम् । अस्य तु पाणिग्राहकस्य गतिमननुप्रपद्यमाना भवत्कुलं कलङ्कयेयम् । अतोऽनुमन्तुमर्हसि भर्त्रा सह चिताधिरोहणाय माम् ' इति । श्रुत्वा चैतत्प्रीतियुक्तः समादिक्षत्क्षिताश्वरः—' क्रियतां कुलो-चितः संस्कारः । उत्सवोत्तरं च पश्चिमं विधिसंस्कारमनुभवत्तु म भागनां पातः ' इति । चण्डाले तु मत्प्रातांषद्वसकलमन्त्र-वादिप्रयासे संस्थिते ' कामपालोऽपि कालदष्ट एव ' इति स्वभवनेप-नयनममुष्य स्वमाहात्म्यप्रकाशनाय महीपतिरन्वमस्त । आनीतश्च

नेत्रेऽष्टनाय । अन्यायवृत्तारन्यायकर्ता । आशीविष सर्पम् । भीतो नाम मिथ्यैव भयं प्राप्त इति । अवप्लुत्योद्धृत्य । जनादनुशीनो लोकाद्रुतः । ' अन्तर्धौ येनादर्शन-मिच्छति ' इत्यपादानम् । अस्तम्भयं स्तम्भितवान् । देवानामयं दैवः । अवनिपेन राज्ञा । अक्षिभ्यां विना हतनयन इत्यर्थः चिकीर्षितः कर्तुमिष्टः । दर्व्याकारः फणा एव करो यस्य । प्रहारसाधनत्वात् । दर्वी फणां करोतीति वा ' र्वाकरः सर्पः । रूढो जात-न्नासो भयं तेन द्रुतः पलायितो यो लोकस्तेन दत्तो मार्गो यस्येति स तथा । अथेति । व्यसने दुःखे । नातिविह्वला न तिव्याकुला । उत्तमाङ्गं शिरः । अनु-प्रपद्यमानाऽप्राप्तवर्ता । कलङ्कयेयं कलङ्कितं कारिष्यामि । समादिक्षत् । आज्ञापया-मासेत्यर्थः । मन्त्रवादिनां शास्त्रिकानाम् । संस्थिते मरणे प्राप्ते । कालदष्टो मृत इति यावत् । अमुष्य कामपालस्य । स्वमाहात्म्यप्रकाशनाय स्वधार्मिकवकीर्तिप्राकट्यार्थम् ।

१ शिखरम्. २ व्यक्षि०. ३ जनादनुशीनः, जनद्वुपशीनः. ४ एष. ५ अल्पपरिजनः. ६ सधीरम्. ७ समादिशत्. ८ दैवो जानानि. ९ प्रतिममादित्यन्त. १० उन्मत्तान्तम्. ११ नीनश्च.

पिता मे विविक्तायां भूमौ दर्भशय्यामधिशाय्य स्थितोऽभूत् । अथ
मदम्बा मरणमण्डनमनुष्ठाय सकरुणं सखीरामन्य मुहुरभिप्रणम्य
भवनदेवतां यत्नैर्निवारितपरिजनाक्रन्दिता पितुर्मे शयनस्थानमेकाकिनी
प्राविक्षत् । तत्र च पूर्वमेव पूर्णमद्रोपस्थापितेन च मया वैनतेयतां
गतेन निर्विषीकृतं भर्तारमैक्षत् । दृष्टतमा पत्युः पादयोः पर्यश्रुमुखी
प्रणिपत्य मां च मुहुर्मुहुः प्रस्तुतस्तनी परिष्वज्य सहर्षबाष्पगद्गदमग-
दत्—‘ पुत्र योऽसि जातमात्रः पापया मया परित्यक्तः स किम-
र्थमेवं मामतिनिर्घृणामनुगृह्णासि । अथ वैष निरपराध एव ते जनयिता ।
युक्तमस्य प्रत्यानयनमन्तकाननात् । कूरा खलु तारावली या त्वामुप-
लभ्यापि तत्त्वतः कुबेराद् असमर्प्य मह्यमर्पितवती देव्यै वसुमत्यै ।
सैव वा सदृशकारिणी । न हि तादृशाद्वाग्यराशेर्विना मादृशो
जनोऽल्पपुण्यस्तवार्हति कलप्रलापामृतानि कर्णाभ्यां पातुम् । एहि
परिष्वजस्व ’ इति भूयो भूयः शिरसि जिघ्रन्त्यङ्कमारोपयन्ती तारा-
वलीं गर्हयन्ती आलिङ्गयन्त्यश्रुभिरभिषिञ्चन्ती चोत्कम्पिताङ्गयष्टि-
रन्यादृश्येव क्षणमजनिष्ट । जनयिताऽपि मे नरकादिव स्वर्गम् ,
तादृशाद्व्यसनात्तथाभूतमभ्युदयमारूढः पूर्णमद्रेण विस्तेरेण यथा-
वृत्तान्तमावेदितो भगवतो मधवतोऽपि भाग्यवन्तमात्मानमजीगणत् ।
मनागिवै च मत्संबन्धमाख्याय हर्षविस्मितात्मनोः पित्रोरकथयम्—
‘ आज्ञापयतं काऽद्य नः प्रतिपत्तिः । ’ पिता मे प्राब्रवीत्—‘ वत्स

अन्वमंस्तानुमोदितवान् । विविक्तायां विजनायाम् । अथेति । मरणमण्डनं मरण-
कालोचितभूषणम् । वैनतेयतां गरुडताम् । प्रस्तुतस्तनी स्रवत्पयःस्तनी । जात उत्पन्न एव
जातमात्रः । निर्घृणां निष्कृपाम् । प्रत्यानयनं पराश्रयानयनम् । अन्तकाननाद्यममुखात् ।
कूरा कठिना । सदृशकारिणी युक्तकारिणी । कलो मञ्जुलो यः प्रलापः शिशुशब्दः स
एवामृतम् । गर्हयन्ती निन्दन्ती । उत्कम्पिताङ्गयष्टिर्जातोत्कम्पशरीरा । अन्यादृश्ये-
वान्यसमा । ‘ त्यदादिषु दृशोऽनालोचने कञ्च ’ इति सूत्रे ‘ सामान्ययोश्च ’ इति
वक्तव्यात् दृशोः कञ् । ‘ आ सर्वनाम्नः ’ इत्यात्वम् । तादृशाद्व्यसनात्त्रोत्पाटनादि-
रूपाद् दुःखात् । तथाभूतं पुनर्जीवनपुत्रमिलनरूपम् । मधवत इन्द्रादपि भाग्य-
वन्तम् । मनागल्पम् । हर्षेण विस्मित आत्मा ययोः । प्रतिपत्तिः कर्तव्यता ।

१ संस्तरमधिशयानः. २ यत्नेन निवार्य परिजनाक्रन्दितानि. ३ अस्मादृशाः. ४ अन्यादृशीव.
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गृहमेवेदमस्मदीयमतिविशालप्राकारवलयमक्षय्यायुधस्थानम् । अलङ्घ्य-
तमा च गुप्तिः । उपकृताश्च मयाऽतिबहवः सन्ति सामन्ताः । प्रकृ-
तयश्च भूयस्यो न मे व्यसनमनुरुध्यन्ते । सुभटानां चानेकसहस्रमस्त्येव
समुद्दत्पुत्रदारम् । अतोऽत्रैव कतिपयान्यहानि स्थित्वा बाह्याभ्यन्त-
रङ्गान्कोपानुत्पादयिष्यामः । कुपितांश्च संगृह्य प्रोत्साह्यास्य प्रकृत्य-
मित्रानुत्थाप्य सहजांश्च द्विषः दुर्दान्तमेनमुच्छेत्स्यामः ' इति । ' को
दोषः । तथाऽस्तु ' इति तातस्य मतमन्वमसि ।

तथाऽस्मासु प्रतिविधाय तिष्ठत्सु राजाऽपि विज्ञापितोदन्तो जातानुतापः
पारमामिकान्प्रयोगान्प्रायः प्रायुङ्क्त । ते चास्माभिः प्रत्यहमहन्यन्त ।
अस्मिन्नेवावकाशे पूर्णभद्रमुखाच्च राज्ञः शय्यास्थानमवगम्य तदैव स्वीदव-
सितभित्तिकोणादारभ्योरगास्येन सुरङ्गामकार्षम् । गता च सा भूमिस्वर्ग-
कल्पमनल्पकन्यकाजनं कमप्युद्देशम् । अव्यथिष्ठ च दृष्ट्वैव सा मां नारीजनः ।
तत्र काचिदिन्दुकलेव स्वलावण्येन रसातलान्धकारं निर्धुनाना विग्रहिणीव
देवी विश्वंभरा हरगृहिणीवासुरविजयायावतीर्णा पातालमागता गृहिणीव
भगवतः कुसुमधन्वनः राजलक्ष्मीरिवानेकदुर्नृपदर्शनपरिहाराय मही-
विवरं प्रविष्टा निष्टप्तकनकपुत्रिकेवावदातकान्तिः कन्यका चन्दन-
लतेव मलयमारुतेन महर्शनेनोदकम्पत । तथाभूते च तस्मिन्नाङ्गना-

अतिविशालप्राकारवलयमतिविस्तीर्णवरणभित्तिमण्डलम् । अक्षय्यायुधस्थानमपरिमिता-
युधगृहम् । गुप्तिगोपनम् । प्रकृतयः प्रजाः । सुभटानां वीराणाम् । सुहृदः संबन्धिनः
दाराः स्त्रियस्तैः सह वर्तमानम् । बाह्याभ्यन्तरङ्गान्बाहिरङ्गानन्तरङ्गांश्च । प्रोत्साह्य
प्रोत्साह्यवतो विधाय । दुर्दान्तं दुःखेन दमनीयम् । तथेति । प्रतिविधाय प्रतिविधानं
कृत्वा । उदन्तो वार्ता । पारमामिकान्परमामे भवान् । प्रयोगान् कटकप्रेषणादि-
कृपान् । अत्र मिताक्षरायां विज्ञानेश्वरः—' उपस्थारिमासीत राष्ट्रं चास्योपपीडयेत् ।
दूषयेच्चास्य सततं यवसाजोदकेन्धनम् ॥ ' इति । प्रायो बहुलान् । ' बहुलं प्रयुक्त-
वानित्यर्थः ' इति भूषणा । अवकाशोऽवसरे । स्वीदवसितं स्वगृहम् । भूम्यां स्वर्गः
भूमिस्वर्गः तस्मादीष्यन्त्यूनः भूमिस्वर्गकल्पः तम् । अनल्पः कन्यकाजनः यस्मिन् तम् ।
उद्देशं प्रदेशम् । रसातलान्धकारं पातालान्धकारम् । ' निर्धुनाना अतितरां निर-
स्यन्ती ' इति भूषणा । विग्रहिणी शरीरधारिणी । विश्वंभरा पृथ्वी । हरगृहिणीव
दुर्गेव । दुर्नृपदर्शनपरिहाराय दुष्टराजावलोकनपरिहाराय । निष्टप्ता संतापिता ।
कनकपुत्रिका सुवर्णपुत्तलिका । अङ्गनासमाजे स्त्रीसमूहे । ' पशूनां समजोऽन्येषां

समाज्ञे कुसुमितेव काशयष्टिः पाण्डुशिरसिजा स्थविरा काचिच्चरण-
योर्मे निपत्य त्रासदीनमब्रूत—‘ दीयतामभयदानमस्मा अनन्यशरणाय
स्त्रीजनाय । किमसि देवकुमारो दनुजयुद्धतृष्णया रसातलं विविक्षुः ।
आज्ञापय कोऽसि कस्य हेतोरागतोऽसि ’ इति । सा तु मया प्रत्य-
वादि—‘ सुदत्यः मा स्म भवत्यो भैर्षुः । अहमस्मि द्विजातिवैष्वात्काम-
पालादेव्यां कान्तिमत्यामुत्पन्नोऽर्यपालो नाम । सत्यर्थे निजगृहान्नृपगृहं
सुरङ्गयोपसरन्निहान्तरे वो दृष्टवान् । कथयत काः स्थ यूयं, कथं हि
निवसथ ’ इति । सोदञ्जलिरुदीरितवती—‘ मर्तृद्वारक भाग्यवत्यो वयं
यास्त्वामेभिरेव चक्षुर्भिरनघमद्राक्ष्म । श्रूयताम् । यस्तव मातामहश्चण्ड-
भिहः तेनास्यां देव्यां लीलावत्यां चण्डघोषः कान्तिमतीत्यपत्यद्वय-
मुदपादं । चण्डघोषस्तु युवराजोऽत्यासङ्गादङ्गनासु राजयक्ष्मणा सुरक्षय-
मगादन्तर्वत्यां देव्यामाचारवत्याम् । अमुया चेयं मणिकर्णिका नाम
कन्या प्रसूता । अथ प्रसववेदनया मुक्तजीविताऽऽचारवती पत्युरन्तिकम-
गमत् । अथ देवश्चण्डसिंहो मामाहूयोपह्वरे समाज्ञापयत्—‘ ऋद्धिमति
कन्यकेयं कल्याणलक्षणा । तामिमां मालवेन्द्रनन्दनाय दर्पसाराय विधिवद्व-
र्धयित्वा दित्सामि । विभेमि च कान्तिमतीवृत्तान्तादारभ्य कन्यकानां
प्रकाशावस्थापनात् । अत इयमरातिव्यसनाय कारिते महति भूमि-
गृहे कृत्रिमशैलगर्भोत्कीर्णनानामण्डपप्रेक्षागृहे प्रचुरपरिबर्हया भवत्या

समाजोऽथ सधर्मिणाम् । ’ इत्यमरः । कुसुमिता संजातकुसुमा । काशयष्टिः ‘ सरस ’
इति प्रसिद्धा । पाण्डुशिरसिजा श्वेतकेशा । अनन्यशरणाय त्वदेकशरणायेत्यर्थः ।
दनुजा दैत्याः । विविक्षुः प्रवेष्टुमिच्छुः । कस्य हेतोः किमर्थमित्यर्थः । सुदत्य इति
सर्वाभिप्रायेण संबोधनम् । शोभना दन्ता यस्याः सा सुदती । ‘ वयसि दन्तस्य
दत् ’ इति दत्तादेशः समासान्तः । द्विजातिवृषात् ब्राह्मणश्रेष्ठात् । सत्यर्थे कार्यवस्तुनि
सतीत्यर्थः । सुरङ्गया भूम्यन्तर्मागैण । सा वृद्धा । उदञ्जलिः बद्धाञ्जलिः । उदीरितवत्युक्त-
वती । अनघं निष्पापम् । द्राक्ष्म दृष्टव्यः । उदपाद्युत्पादितवान् । ‘ चिण् ते
पदः ’ इति कर्त्तरि चिण् । राजयक्ष्मा क्षयरोगः । सुरक्षयं देवगृहम् । स्वर्गमित्यर्थः ।
‘ अन्तर्वत्यां गर्भिण्याम् । अन्तरस्यस्यां गर्भः । ‘ अन्तर्वत्पतिवतीर्नुक् ’ इति साधुः ।
अथेति । उपह्वरे रहसि । विधिवद्विश्रुक्तमार्गेण । दित्सामि दातुमिच्छामि । अराति-
व्यसनाय । वैरिभृतदुःखायेत्यर्थः । कृत्रिमः शैलः पर्वतः तस्य गर्भो मध्यं तत्रोत्कीर्णं
नाना मण्डपा यत्र तादृक् प्रेक्षागृहं नृत्यक्षणगृहम् । प्रचुरपरिबर्हया प्रचुरपरिवारया ।

संवर्धयताम् । अस्त्यत्र भोग्यवस्तु वर्षशतोपभोगेनाप्यक्षय्यम् ' इति । स तथोक्त्वा निजवासगृहस्य द्वैचङ्कुलभित्तावर्धपादं किष्कुविष्कम्भ-मुद्धृत्य तेनैव द्वारेण स्यान्मिदमस्मानवीविशत् । इह च नो वसन्तीना द्वादश समाः समत्ययुः । इयं च वत्सा तरुणीभूता । न चाद्यापि स्मरति राजा । काममियं पितामहेन दर्पसाराय संकल्पिता । त्वद-म्बया कान्तिमत्या चेयं गर्भस्थैव द्यूतजिता स्वमात्रा तवैव जायात्वेन एमकल्प्यत । तदत्र प्राप्तुरूपं चिन्त्यतां कुमारेणैव ' इति । तां पुन-रवोचम्—'अद्यैव राजगृहे किमपि कार्यं साधयित्वा प्रतिनिवृत्तो युष्मासु यथार्हं प्रतिपत्स्ये ' इति । तेनैव दीपदर्शितविलपथेन गत्वा स्थितेऽर्धरात्रे तद्वर्धपादं प्रत्युद्धृत्य वासगृहं प्रविष्टो विश्रब्धसुसं सिंहघोषं जीवग्रहमग्रहीषम् । आकृष्य च तमहिमिवाहिशत्रुः स्फुर-न्तममुनैव भित्तिरन्ध्रपथेन स्त्रैणसंनिधिमनैषम् । आनीय च स्वभवन-मायसनिगडसंदिंतेचरणयुगलम्, अवनमितमालिनवदनम्, अश्रुबहुरक्त-चक्षुषमेकान्ते जनयित्रोर्ममादर्शयम् । अकथयं च विलकथाम् । अथ पितरौ प्रहृष्टतरौ तं निकृष्टाशयं निशाम्य बन्धने नियम्य तस्या दारिकाया यथार्हेण कर्मणा मां पाणिमग्राहयेताम् । अनर्थकं च तद्राज्यमस्मदायत्तमेव जातम् । प्रकृतिकोपभयात्तु मन्मात्रा मुमु-क्षितोऽपि न मुक्त एव सिंहघोषः । तथास्थिताश्च वयमङ्गराजः

अस्तीति । भोग्यं वस्तु । भोगार्हमित्यर्थः । अक्षय्यमशक्यक्षयम् । ' क्षय्यजय्यौ शक्यार्थे ' इति निपातः । द्वयङ्कुलभित्तावङ्कुलद्वयपरिमाणायां भित्तौ । अर्धपादं प्रस्तर-पिधानम् । किष्कुविष्कम्भं हस्तपरिणाहम् । वितास्तिपरिणाहं वा । ' किष्कुर्हस्ते वित-स्तौ च ' इत्यमरः । ' परिणाहस्तु विष्कम्भः ' इति वैजयन्ती । अवीविशत् प्रवेशं कार-यति स्मेत्यर्थः । समत्ययुरतिक्रान्ताः । प्राप्तुरूपं प्रशस्तं प्राप्त कर्तव्यम् । ' प्रशंसाया रूपम् ' । यथार्हं यथायोग्यम् । प्रतिपत्स्ये वर्तिष्ये । जीवग्राहं जीवं गृहीत्वैस्त्रि तथा । ' समूलाकृतजीवेषु हन्कुम्प्रहः ' इति णमुल् । अहिशत्रुर्गण्डः । स्त्रैणं स्त्रीणां समूहः । ' स्त्रीपुंसाभ्यां नञ्सलजो भवनात् ' इति समूहार्थे नञ् । अयः लोहं तस्येदमायसम् । निगडं शृङ्खला । संदिंतं बद्धम् । ' बद्धं निगडितं दितम् ' इति वैजयन्ती । निकृष्टाशयं नीचचित्तम् । आयत्तमधीनम् । प्रकृतयः प्रजाः । मुमुक्षितोऽपि मोक्तुमिष्टोऽपि ।

सिंहवर्मा देवपादानां भक्तिमान्कृतकर्मा चेत्यमित्राभियुक्तमेनमभ्यसराम ।
अभूवं च भवत्पादपङ्कजरजोनुग्राह्यः । स चेदानीं भवच्चरणप्रणाम-
प्रायश्चित्तमनुतिष्ठतु सर्वदुश्चरितक्षालनमनार्यः सिंहघोषः । इत्यर्थपालः
प्राञ्जलिः प्रणनाम । देवोऽपि राजवाहनः ‘ बहु पराक्रान्तम्, बहूपयुक्ता
च बुद्धिः मुक्तबन्धस्ते श्वशुरः पश्यतु माम् ’ इत्यभिधाय भूयः प्रमतिमेव
पश्यन्प्रीतिस्मेरः ‘ प्रस्तूयतां तावदात्मीयं चरितम् ’ इत्याज्ञापयत् ।

इति श्रीदण्डिनः कृतौ दशकुमारचरितेऽर्थपालचरितं नाम चतुर्थ उच्छ्वासः । •

पञ्चमोच्छ्वासः ।

सोऽपि प्रणम्य विज्ञापयामास—‘ देव देवस्यान्वेषणाथ दिक्षु
भ्रमन्नभ्रंकषस्यापि विन्ध्यपार्श्वरूढस्य वनस्पतेरधः, परिणतपतङ्ग-
बालपल्लवावतंसिते पश्चिमदिगङ्गनामुखे पल्वलाम्भस्युपस्पृश्योपांस्य
संध्यां तमःसमीकृतेषु निम्नोन्नतेषु गन्तुमक्षमः क्षमातले किसलयै-
रुपरचय्य शय्यां शिशयिषमाणः शिरसि कुर्वन्नञ्जलिम् ‘ याऽस्मि-
न्वनस्पतौ वसति देवता सैव मे शरणमस्तु शरारुचक्रचारभीषणायां
शर्वगलश्यामशार्वरान्धकारपूराध्मातगभीरगह्वरायामस्यां । महाटन्या-

भक्तिमान् भक्तियुक्तः । राजवाहनसंतोषार्थेयमुक्तिः । श्वशुरः पितृव्यश्वशुरः ।
‘ कान्तिमतीसंबन्धान्मातुलः ’ इति भूषणा । प्रस्तूयतामुपक्रम्यताम् ।

इति श्रीदशकुमारचरितटीकायां चतुर्थ उच्छ्वासः ।

इदानीं प्रमतिः स्वचरितं वक्तुमुपक्रमते—सोऽपीति । अभ्रंकषस्याभ्रलिङ्गस्य ।
‘ व्योमस्पृशो मेघस्पृशो वा ’ इति भूषणा । ‘ अभ्रं मेघो वारिवाहः ’ इति, ‘ चोदिवौ
द्वे क्रियामभ्रम् ’ इति चामरः । ‘ सर्वकूलाभ्रकरीरेषु कषः ’ इति खच् । ‘ अशर्द्धिषद-
जन्तस्य मुम् ’ इति मुमागमश्च । वनस्पतेरपुष्पवृक्षस्य । ‘ तैरपुष्पाद्गन्तव्यः ’ इत्यमरः ।
परिणतः अस्ताभिमुख इत्यर्थः । पतङ्गः सूर्यः । स एव बालपल्लवः सोऽवतंसो यस्येति
स तस्मिन् । पल्वलमल्पसरः । ‘ वेशन्तः पल्वलं चाल्पसरः ’ इत्यमरः । उपस्पृश्य
आचम्येत्यर्थः । ‘ उपस्पृशस्त्वाचमनम् ’ इत्यमरः । तमःसमीकृतेषु अन्धकारपूर्णकृते-
ष्वित्यर्थः । किसलयैः पल्लवैः । शिशयिषमाणः शयितुकामः । शरारुर्घातुकः ।
हिंसकः प्राणीति यावत् । शरारूपां चक्रं समूहस्तस्य चारस्तेन भीषणायाम् ।
शर्वगलो महादेवकण्ठः । शर्वया इदं शर्वरम् । आध्मातं पूरितम् । शर्वगलवत्

मेकैकस्य मे प्रसुप्तस्य ' इत्युपधाय वामभुजमशयिषि । ततः क्षणा-
 देवानिदुर्लभेन स्पर्शेनासुखायिषत किमपि गात्राणि आह्लादयिषते-
 न्द्रियाणि अभ्यमनायिष्ट चान्तरात्मा विशेषतश्च हृषितास्तनूरुहाः
 पर्यस्फुरन्मे दक्षिणभुजः । ' कथं न्विदम् ' इति मन्दमन्दमुन्मिषन्नुपर्यच्छ-
 चन्द्रातपच्छेदकल्पं शुक्लांशुकवितानमैक्षिषि । वामतो वैलितदृष्टिः
 समया सौधभित्तिं चित्रास्तरणशायिनमतिविश्रब्धप्रसुप्तमङ्गनाजन-
 म्लक्षयम् । दक्षिणतो दत्तचक्षुरागलितस्तनांशुकाम्, अमृतफेनपटल-
 पाण्डुरशयनशायिनीम्, आदिवराहदंष्ट्रांशुजाललग्नमंसस्तस्तदुग्धसागर-
 दुकूलोत्तरीयां ' भयसाध्वसमूर्छितामिव धरणीम्, अरुणाधर-
 किरणबालकिसलयलास्यहेतुभिराननारविन्दपरिमलोद्वाहिभिर्निःश्वासमात-
 रिश्वमिरीश्वरेक्षणदहनदग्धं स्फुलिङ्गशेषमनङ्गमिव संधुक्षयन्तीम्,
 अन्तःसुप्तषट्पदमम्बुजमिव जातनिद्रं सरसमामीलितलोचनेन्दीवरमाननं
 दधानाम्, ऐरावतमदावलेपलूनापविद्धामिव नन्दनवनकल्पवृक्षरत्नवल्लरीं,

स्यामो यः शर्वरः अन्धकारस्तस्य पूरेणाध्यातानि गभीराणि गह्वराणि यस्याम् ।
 एकैकस्यैकाकिनः । उपधाय उपधानीकृत्वेत्यर्थः । असुखायिषत । सुखानि जाता-
 नीत्यर्थः । ' सुखादिभ्यः कर्तृवेदनायाम् ' इति क्यङ् । छुडि सिच इट् । आह्लाद-
 यिषत । आह्लादं प्रापुरित्यर्थः । हृषिता उदञ्चिताः । हृषेद्दधनेऽर्थे ' हृषेलोमसु ' इति-
 ङागमः । तनूरुहा लोमानि । दक्षिणभुजस्पन्द इष्टसमागमसूचकः । वर्णितं च
 कालिदासेन— ' तस्यां रघोः सूनुरुपस्थितायां वृणीत मां नेति समाकुलोऽभूत् ।
 वामेतरः संशयमस्य बाहुः केयूरबन्धोच्छसितैर्नुनोद ॥ ' इति । अच्छो निर्मलः '
 चन्द्रातपश्चन्द्रालोकः । छेदकल्पं मङ्गादीषन्त्यूनम् । तत्सदृशमित्यर्थः । वितानमुल्लोचम् ।
 ऐक्षिषि दृष्टवान् । समया सौधभित्तिं सौधभित्तेः समीपे । ' समयेत्यन्तिकमध्ययोः ।
 इति सामीप्यार्थेऽव्ययम् । ' अभितःपरितःसमयानिकषा— ' इति द्वितीया ।
 विश्रब्धो विश्रस्तः । दक्षिणत इति । पाण्डुरं श्वेतम् । अंसः स्कन्धः तस्मात्तस्तं
 दुग्धसागर एव दुकूलोत्तरीयं यस्यास्ताम् । भयमनुरागस्तेन साध्वसमूर्छिता-
 मिव । ' धोरसाध्वसमूर्छिताम् ' इति भूषणा । अरुणस्ताम्रो यः अधरस्तस्य
 किरणास्त एव बालकिसलयानि तेषां लास्यं नृत्यं तद्धेतुभिः कारणभूतैः ।
 परिमलमुद्बहन्ति ते परिमलोद्वाहिनस्तः । मातरिश्वभिर्वायुभिः । ईश्वरेक्षणं महादेव-
 तृतीयनेत्रम् । संधुक्षयन्तीं वर्धयन्तीम् । अन्तः सुप्ताः षट्पदा भ्रमरा यस्मिन्तत् ।
 ऐरावतस्य यो मदजनितोऽवलेपस्तेनादौ लूनां पश्चाद् अपविद्धां त्यक्ताम् । कल्पवृक्षस्य

कामपि तरुणीमालोकयम् । अतर्कयं च—‘ क गता सा महाटवी कुत
इदमूर्ध्वाण्डकपालसंपुटोदरोल्लोखि शक्तिध्वजशिखरशूलोत्सेधं सौधमा-
गतं, क च तदरण्यस्थलीसमास्तीर्णं पल्लवशयनम्, कुतस्त्यं चेदमिन्दु-
गभास्तिसंभारभासुरं हंसतूलदुकूलशयनम् । एष च को नु शीतरश्मि-
किरणरज्जुशोलापरिभ्रष्टमूर्छित इवाप्सरोगणः स्वैरसुप्तः सुन्दरीजनः का
चेयं देवीवारविन्दहस्ता शारदशशाङ्कमण्डलमलदुकूलोत्तरच्छदमाधिशेते
शयनतलम् । न तावदेषा देवयोषा यतो मन्दमन्दमिन्दुकिरणैः संवाह्यमाना
कमलिनी च संकुचति । भग्नवृन्तच्युतरसबिन्दुशबलितं पाकपाण्डु-
चूतफलमिवोद्भिन्नस्वेदरेखमालक्ष्यते गण्डस्थलम् । अभिनवयौवनविदाह-
निर्भरोष्मणि कुचतटे वैवर्ण्यमुपैति वर्णकम् । वाससी च परिभोगानुरूपं
धूसरिमाणमादर्शयतः । तदेषा मानुष्येव । दिष्ट्या चानुच्छिष्टयौवना यतः
सौकुमार्यमागताः संहता इवावयवाः प्रस्निग्धतमाऽपि पाण्डुतानुविद्धेव
देहच्छविः दन्तपीडानभिज्ञतया नातिविशदरागो मुखे, विद्रुमद्युति-
रधरमणिः अनत्यापूर्णमारक्तमूलं चम्पककुड्मलदलमिव कठोरं कपोल-

रत्नमयी वल्ली मञ्जरी । ‘ वल्ली मञ्जरी स्त्रियौ ’ इत्यमरः । ऊर्ध्वाण्डकपालम् ।
आकाशमित्यर्थः । ‘ अप एव ससर्जदौ तामु वीर्यमथासृजत् । तदण्डमभवद्द्वैमं
सहस्रांशुसमप्रभम् ॥ तस्मिंश्चक्ष्वे स्वयं ब्रह्मा सर्वलोकपितामहः । नखैर्हिरण्यगर्भैः स
तदण्डं बिभिदे समम् ॥ ताभ्यां स शकलाभ्यां च दिवं भूमिं च निर्भमे । ’ इति
मनुः । शक्तिध्वजः मेनानीः । ‘ शक्तिध्वजः कुमारस्तस्य शिखरं तदालयग्रं तत्र शूलं
तद्गुह्यं उच्छ्रायो यस्य सः । ’ इति भूषणा । ‘ सेनानीः कौञ्चशत्रुश्च कुमारः शक्ति-
केतनः ’ इत्यजयः । ‘ शिखरं मण्डपतलमग्रिमं वृक्षशैलयोः ’ इत्युत्पलः । उत्सेध
उन्नतिः । शक्तिध्वजो मण्डपतले शूलमग्रे च यस्य । ‘ अस्त्राण्यारोपयेदग्रे कुमारं
स्थापयेत्तले । नन्दावन्त इति ख्यातः प्रासादो देवभूमुजाम् ॥ ’ —इति लघुदीपिका ।
कुतस्त्यं कुत आगतम् । इन्दुगभस्तयश्चन्द्रकिरणाः । शोला हिन्दोलिका । शरदि
भवं शारदं शशाङ्कमण्डलमिवामलं दुकूलमुत्तरच्छदो यस्य तत् । देवयोषा देवस्त्री ।
संवाह्यमानाऽऽवर्त्यमाणा । ‘ संवाहनं मर्दनं स्यात् ’ इति कोशः । ‘ यतो निद्रातो न
देवयोषा । देवानामस्वप्नत्वात् ’ इति भूषणा । कमलिनीविन्दुकिरणैः संकुचति ।
भग्नवृन्तं नष्टप्रसववन्धनम् । शबलितं नानावर्णम् । अभिनवं ययौवनं तस्य विशिष्टो
यो दहस्तेन निर्मरोऽतिशयितः क्रम्या यस्मिन् । वर्णकमङ्गरागः । धूसरिमाणं
मलिनवस्त्रम् । संहता मिलिताः । पाण्डुतायामनुविद्धेव स्यूतेव । विद्रुमं प्रवालं
तद्द्युतिस्तत्कान्तिः । अनत्यापूर्णमीषत्पूर्णम् । कुड्मलदलं सुकुलपत्रम् ।

१ ण्डसंपुटोः, २ कपालोल्लोखि, ३ किरणरज्जुतरज्जु, ४ ण्डलं पर्यङ्कतलमेतद्-
मल... चक्ष्वमधिशेते, ५ निद्राति, ६ तुल्योष्मणि, ७ वर्णकः, ८ परिभोग.

तलम्, अनङ्गबाणपातमुक्ताशङ्कं च विश्रब्धमधुरं सुप्यते न चैतद्वक्षः-
स्थलं निर्दयविमर्दविस्तारितमुखस्तनयुगलम् अस्ति चानतिक्रान्त-
शिष्टमर्यादचेतसो ममास्यामासक्तिः । अस्तत्तयनुरूपं पुनराश्लिष्टा
यदि स्पष्टमार्तरवेणैव सह निद्रां मोक्षयति । अथाहं न शक्यामि
चानुपश्लिष्य शयितुम् । अतो यद्भावि तद्भवतु । भाग्यमत्र परीक्षिष्ये ।'
इति स्पृष्टास्पृष्टमेव किमप्याविद्धरागसाध्वसं लक्ष्यसुप्तः स्थितोऽस्मि ।
साऽपि किमप्युत्कैम्पिना रोमोद्धेदवता वामपार्श्वेन सुखायमानेन मन्द-
मन्दजृम्भिकारम्भमन्थराङ्गी त्वङ्गदम्पक्षमणोश्चक्षुषोरलसतान्ततारकेणा-
नतिपक्वनिद्राकर्षायितापाङ्गपरभागेण युगलेनेषदुन्मिषन्ती त्रासविस्मय-
हर्षरागशङ्काविलासविभ्रमव्यवहितानि व्रीडान्तराणि कानि कान्यपि
कामेनाद्भुतानुभावेनावस्थान्तराणि कार्यमाणा परिजनप्रबोधनोद्यता गिरं
कामावेगपरवशं हृदयमङ्गानि च साध्वसायाससंबन्ध्यमानस्वेदपुलकानि

अनङ्गः कामस्तस्य बाणपातानां मुक्ता आशङ्कः । यस्मिन् कर्मणि तद्यथा तथा । विश्रब्ध-
मधुरं विश्वाससुन्दरम् । निर्दयं यः विमर्दस्तेन विस्तारितं मुखं यस्य तादृक् स्तन-
युगलं यत्र तत् । अनतिक्रान्ता अदूरीकृता शिष्टमर्यादा येनैवंविधं चेतो यस्येति
तस्य । 'अनतिक्रान्तशिष्टमर्यादचेतसो धर्मात्मनोऽस्यामःसक्तिरत इयं मदुपभोग-
योग्येति व्यङ्ग्यम् । तथा च कालिदासः—'अवशयं क्षत्रपरिग्रहक्षमा यदार्थ-
मस्यामभिलाषि मे मनः' इत्या —इति भूषणा । अथेति । अनुपश्लिष्यानालिङ्ग्य ।
स्पृष्टास्पृष्टम् । अल्पस्पर्शमित्यर्थः । राग आसक्तिः । 'आविद्धे रागसाध्वसे यस्यां
क्रियायाम् । अनुपमङ्गीलाभादागः । यथेष्टं स्पृष्टं चैतदार्तरवं भविष्यतीति
साध्वसम् ।' इति भूषणा । लक्ष्यसुप्तः सुप्त इवेत्यर्थः । उत्कम्पितोत्क-
म्पनशीलेन । मन्थराङ्गी सुन्दराङ्गी । 'मन्थरौ नम्रसुन्दरौ' इति वैजयन्ती ।
'सालसाङ्गी' इति तु भूषणा । त्वङ्गञ्चलत् । 'त्वग्नि कम्पने' इति धातुः । त्वङ्गदम्पक्षम
ययोरिति त्वङ्गदम्पक्षमणोः । अनतिपक्वा नातिपूर्णा मध्ये विच्छेदाद्या निद्रा तथा
कषायितः आरक्तीकृतः अपाङ्गयोः परभागो गुणोत्कर्षः यस्य तेन । 'अपूर्व-
पुरुषदर्शनात् त्रासः । आगमप्रकारानवबोधाद्विस्मयः । तदङ्गसङ्गसुखानुभवाद्वर्षः ।
तत एव रागः । ततो भयं मां बलात्कारेण करिष्यति स्वाङ्के ततः किं भवेदिति
शङ्का । ततो भूषणादीनामस्थाने विन्यासः । अस्त्वमपि वस्त्रं भूषणं वा स्रस्तमिति
पुनस्तद्देशे स्थाप्यते यथास्थितमपि तद्देशाच्चाव्यते शङ्कापराधीनचित्तेन जनेन ।
'अस्थाने भूषणादीनां विन्यासो विभ्रमो मतः ।' इति रसरत्नहारः । व्रीडा अन्तरा
मध्ये येषां तानि ।" इति भूषणा । कामावेगपरवशं मदनवेगपराधीनम् । "साध्वसेनाप-
रिचितपुरुषदर्शनेनायासेन तदङ्गसङ्गानङ्गपीडया संबध्यमानस्वेदपुलकानि । सात्त्विक-
भावाविर्भावादिति भावः ।" इति भूषणा । साध्वसं भयम् । आयासः खेदः । अथ वा

१ शङ्कामुक्तया, २ युगमुकुलम्, ३ उत्कम्पिता, ४ कषायदर्शितरागोपाङ्गपरभागेण,
५ विन्यास, ६ संबध्यमान.

कथ कथमापं निंगृह्य सस्पृहं मधुरकूणितात्रिभागेण मन्दमन्दप्रचारितं
चक्षुषा मदङ्गानि निर्वर्ण्य दूरोत्सर्पितपूर्वकायाऽपि तस्मिन्नेव शयने स-
चकितमशयिष्ठं । अननिष्टे मे रागाविष्टचेतसाऽपि किमपि निद्रा । पुनरननु-
कूलस्पर्शदुःखायत्तगात्रः प्राबुध्ये । प्रबुद्धस्य च मे सैव महाटवी तदेव
तस्तलं स एव पत्रास्तरोऽभूत् । विभावरी च व्यभासीत् । अभूच्च मे
मनसि—‘ किमयं स्वप्नः किं विप्रलम्भो वा किमियमासुरी दैवी वा
काऽपि माया । यद्भावि तद्भवतु । नाहमिदं तत्त्वतो नैवबुध्य मोक्षयामि
भूमिशय्याम् । यावदायुरत्रत्यायै देवतायै प्रतिशयितो भवामि ’ इति
निश्चितमतिरतिष्ठम् ।

अथाविर्भूय काऽपि रविकरामितप्तकुवलयदामतान्ताङ्गयष्टिः क्लिष्टे-
निवसनोत्तरीया निरलक्तकरूक्षपाटलेन निःश्वासोष्मजर्जरितविषा
दन्तच्छेदेन वमन्तीव कपिलधूमधूम्नं विरहानलम्, अनवरतसलिलधारा-
विसर्जनाद्गुधिरावशेषमिव लोहिततरं द्वितयमक्षोरुद्रहन्ती कुल-
चारित्रबन्धनपाशविभ्रमेणैकवेणीभूतेन केशपाशेन नीलांशुकचीर-
चूडिकापरिवृता पतिव्रतापताकेव संचरन्ती क्षामक्षामाऽपि देवतानुभावा-
दनतिक्षीणवर्णावकाशा सीमन्तिनी प्रणिपतन्तं मां प्रहर्षोत्कम्पितेन
भुजलताद्वयेनोत्थाप्य पुत्रवत्परिष्वज्य शिरस्युपाघ्राय वात्सल्यमिव
स्तनर्युगलेन स्तन्यच्छलात्प्रक्षरन्ती शिशिरेणाश्रुणा निरुद्धकण्ठी स्नेह-

सावसमेवायासः । संबध्यमानाः स्वेदपुलका येषु तानि । कूणिताः संकुचितः । त्रिभागः ।
नेत्रप्रान्त इत्यर्थः । ‘ संकोचितास्त्रयो भागाः अपाङ्गो मध्यो नासिकासमीपश्च यस्ये-
त्यर्थः ’ इति भूषणा । उत्सर्पित ऊर्ध्वीकृतः । विभावरी रात्रिः । व्यभासीद्विभाताऽभूत् ।
असुरस्येयमासुरी । देवस्येयं दैवी । तत्त्वतः सत्यत्वेन । यावदायुर्यावदायुष्यम् ।
प्रतिशयितः कृतशयः । अथेति । रविकरैः सूर्यकिरणैः अभितप्तं यत्कुवलयदाम तद्व-
तान्ता क्लान्ता अङ्गयष्टिः शरीरयष्टिः यस्याः । क्लिष्टं जीर्णं निवसनोत्तरीयं यस्याः सा ।
दन्तच्छेदनौष्ठेन । कपिलः पिङ्गलः । धूमं किंचिदारक्तश्यामम् । अनवरतं निरन्तरम् ।
लोहिततरमत्यारक्तम् । एकवेणीभूतेनाद्वितीयेन । केशपाशः केशकलापः । चूडिका
कूर्पासः । ‘ चीरचूडिका सुवासिनीभिर्हस्तेषु ध्रियमाणः खड्गशृङ्गनिर्मितो बलयाकृतिः
भूषणविशेषः ’ इति भूषणा । क्षामक्षामाऽतिक्षीणा । देवतानुभावाद्देवतासामर्थ्यात् ।
अनतिक्षीणवर्णा नातिक्षीणो वर्णो यस्याः सा तथा । प्रणिपतन्तं नमस्कारं कुर्वन्तम् ।
वात्सल्यं पुत्रस्नेहम् । स्तने भवं स्तन्यं तस्य छलान्मिषात् । प्रक्षरन्ती स्रवन्ती ।

१ दुःस्वाद्यमान, २ व्यभासीत्, ३ अनवबुध्य, ४ प्रतिशयितोऽस्मि, ५ क्लिप्त,
६ कलापेन, ७ अंशुकराचितचीरचूलिका, ८ मुखेन.

गैर्ददं व्याहर्षीत्—‘ वत्स यैदि वः कथितवती मगधराजमहिषी
वसुमती मम हस्ते बालमर्थपालं निधाय कयां च काचिदात्मभर्तृपुत्र-
सखीजनानुबद्धां राजराजप्रवर्तितां कृत्वाऽन्तर्धानमगादात्मजा मणिमद्र-
स्येति साऽहमस्मि वो जननी । पितुर्वो धर्मपालसूनोः सुमित्रानुनस्य
कामपालस्य पादमूलान्निष्कारणकोपकलुषिताशया प्रोष्यानुशयविधुरा
स्वप्ने केनापि रक्षोरूपेणोपेत्य शप्ताऽस्मि—‘ चण्डिकायां त्वयि वर्षमात्रं
वसामि प्रवासदुःखाय ’ इति ब्रुवतैवाहमाविष्टा प्राबुध्ये । गतं च तद्वर्षं
वर्षसहस्रदीर्घम् । अतीतायां तु यामिन्यां देवदेवस्य व्यम्बकस्य श्रावस्त्या-
मुत्सवसमाजमनुभूय बन्धुजनं च स्थानस्थानेभ्यः संनिपतितमभि-
समीक्ष्य मुक्तशापा पत्युः पार्श्वमभिसरामीति प्रस्थितायामेव मयि त्वम-
त्राम्युपेत्य ‘ प्रपन्नोऽस्मि शरणमिहत्यां देवताम् ’ इति प्रसुप्तोऽसि । एवं
शापदुःखाविष्टया तु मया तदा न तत्त्वतः परिच्छिन्नो भवान् । अपि तु
शरणागतमविरलप्रमादायामस्यां महाटव्यामयुक्तं परित्यज्य गन्तुमिति
मया त्वमपि स्वपन्नेवासि नीतः । प्रत्यासन्ने च तस्मिन्देवगृहे पुन-
रचिन्तयम्—‘ कथमिह तरुणेनानेन सह समानं गमिष्यामि ’ इति ।
अथ राज्ञः श्रावस्तीश्वरस्य यथार्थनाम्नो धर्मवर्धनस्य कन्यां नव-
मालिकां धर्मकालसुभगे कन्यापुरविमानहर्म्यतले विशालकोमलं शय्य-
तलमधिशयानां यदृच्छयोपलभ्य ‘ दिष्टयेयं सुप्ता परिजनश्च
गाढोनेद्रः । शोतामयमत्र मुहूर्तमात्रं ब्राह्मणकुमारा यावत्कृतकृत्या
निवर्तेय ’ इति त्वां तेन शाययित्वा तमुद्देशमगमम् । दृष्ट्वा चोत्सव-
श्रियम् निर्विश्य च स्वजनदर्शनसुखम् अभिवाद्य च त्रिभुवनेश्वरमा-

व्याहर्षीत् । अवोचदित्यर्थः । ‘ वो जननी भवत्पित्रपेक्षया कनिष्ठस्य पितृव्यस्य
पत्नी ’ इति भूषणा । ‘ कृताभिषेका महिषी ’ इत्यमरः । कलुषिताशया मलिन-
चित्ता । प्रोष्य प्रवासं कृत्वा । आविष्टा आवेशं प्राप्ता । दीर्घमतिमहत् । यामिन्यां
रात्रौ । श्रावस्त्यामेतन्नामनगर्याम् । संनिपतितमागतम् । तत्त्वतः सत्यतः ।
अविरलप्रमादायां बहुतरप्रमादायाम् । प्रत्यासन्ने समीपवर्तिनि । समाजं
सधर्मिणां समूहम् । अथेति । यदृच्छया दैवयोगेन । दिष्टयाऽदृष्टेन । उद्देशं

त्मालीकप्रत्याकलनोपारूढसाध्वसं च नमस्कृत्य भक्तिप्रणतहृदया भगवतीमम्बिकाम् तथा गिरिदुहित्रा देव्या सस्मितम् 'अयि भद्रे मा भेषीः । भवेदानीं भर्तृपार्श्वगामिनी । गतस्ते शापः' इत्यनुगृहिता सद्य एव प्रत्यापन्नमहिमा प्रतिनिवृत्य दृष्ट्वैव त्वां यथावदभ्यजानाम्—'कथं मत्सुत एवायं वत्सस्यार्थपालस्य प्राणभूतः सखा प्रमत्तिरिति । पापया मयाऽस्मिन्नज्ञानादौदासीन्यमाचरितम् । अपि चायमस्यामासक्तभावः । कन्या चैनं कायमते युवानम् । उभौ चेमौ लक्ष्यसुप्तौ त्रपया साध्वसेन वाऽन्योन्यमात्मानं न विवृण्वते । गन्तव्यं च मया । कामाघ्रातयाऽप्यनया कन्यया रहस्यरक्षणाय न समाभाषितः सखीजनः परिजनो वा । नयामि तावत्कुमारम् । पुनरपीममर्थं लब्धलक्षो यथोपपन्नैरुपायैः साधयिष्यति' इति मत्प्रभावप्रस्त्रापितं भवन्तमेतदेव पत्रशयनं प्रत्यनैषम् । एवमिदं वृत्तम् । एषा चाहं पितुस्ते पादमूलं प्रत्युपर्षेयम्' इति प्राञ्जलिं मां भूयो भूयः परिष्वज्य शिरस्युपाघ्राय कपोलयोश्चुम्बित्वा स्नेहविह्वला गताऽऽसीत् ।

अहं च पञ्चत्राणवश्यः श्रावस्तीमम्यवर्तिषि । मार्गे च महति निगमे नैगमानां ताम्रचूडयुद्धकोलाहलो महानासीत् । अहं च तत्र संनिहितः किञ्चिदस्मेषि । संनिधिनिषण्णस्तु मे वृद्धविटः कोऽपि ब्राह्मणः शनैः स्मितहेतुमपृच्छत् । अब्रवं च—'कथमिव नारिकेलजातेः प्राच्यवाटकुक्कुटस्य प्रतीच्यवौटः पुरुषैरसमीक्ष्य बलाकाजातिस्ताम्रचूडो बलप्रमाणाधिकस्यैवं प्रतिविस्पृष्टः' इति । सोऽपि तज्ज्ञः

प्रदेशम् । अलीकमपराधः । 'अलीकमपराधः स्यादसत्याप्रिययोरपि ।' इति सज्जनः । प्रत्याकलनं साक्षात्करणम् । उपारूढं जातं साध्वसं यथेति क्रियावितोषणम् । गिरिदुहित्रा पार्वत्या । प्रत्यापन्नमहिमा प्राप्तमहिमा । उदासीनस्य भाव औदासीन्यम् । कामाघ्रातया । मदनस्पृष्टयेत्यर्थः । लब्धलक्षो लब्धावसरः । अहमिति । निगमो वणिग्प्रामः 'निगमः सुरे । वेदे वणिक्पथे मार्गे ।' इति महीपः । तत्र भवा नैगमास्तेषां नैगमानां वणिजाम् । ताम्रचूडः कुक्कुटः । 'कृकवाकुस्ताम्रचूडः कुक्कुटश्चरणायुधः ।' इत्यमरः । अस्मेषि हास्यमकरवम् । संनिधिनिषण्णः समोपस्थितः । नारिकेलजातिरेकः कुक्कुटः । द्वितीयः कुक्कुटः बलाकाजातीयः । 'दीर्घग्रीवः सितवपुर्महाप्राणः स्रवन्मदः । बलाकाजातिरित्युक्तस्तदन्यो नारिकेलजः ॥' इति वैजयन्ती ।

‘ किमज्ञैरोभिर्व्युत्पादितैः । तूष्णीमास्व ’ इत्युपहस्तिकायास्ताम्बूलं कर्पूरसहितमुद्धृत्य मह्यं दत्त्वा चित्राः कथाः कथयन्क्षणमतिष्ठत् । प्रायुध्यत चातिसंरब्धमनुप्रहारप्रवृत्तस्वपक्षमुक्तकण्ठीरवरवं विहंगम-द्वयम् । जितश्चासौ प्रतीच्यवाटकुक्कुटः । सोऽपि विटब्राह्मणः स्ववाट-कुक्कुटविजयहृष्टो मायि वयोविरुद्धं सख्यमुपेत्य तदहः स्वगृह एव स्नानभोजनादि कारयित्वात्तरेद्युः श्रावस्तीं प्रति यान्तं मामनुगम्य ‘ स्मर्तव्योऽस्मि सत्यर्थे ’ इति मित्रवद्विसृज्य प्रत्ययासीत् ।

अहं च गत्वा श्रावस्तीमध्वश्रान्तो बाह्योद्याने लतामण्डपे शयि-तोऽस्मि । हंसकरवप्रबोधितश्चोत्थाय कामपि कणितनूपुरमुखराभ्यां चरणाभ्यां मदन्तिकमुपसरन्तीं युवतीमद्राक्षम् । सा त्वागत्य स्वहस्त-वर्तिनि चित्रपटे लिखितं मत्सदृशं किमपि पुरूपं मां च पर्यायेण निर्वर्णयन्ती सविस्मयं सवितर्कं सहर्षं च क्षणमवातिष्ठत् । मयाऽपि तत्र चित्रपटे मत्सादृश्यं पश्यता तदृष्टिचेष्टितमनाकस्मिकं मन्यमानेन ‘ ननु सर्वसाधारणोऽयं रमणीयः पुण्यारामभूमिभागः । किमिति चिरस्थितिक्लेशो-ऽनुभूयते । ननूपवेष्टव्यम् ’ इत्याभिहिता सा सस्मितम् ‘ अनुगृहीताऽस्मि ’ इति न्यषीदत् । संकथा च देशवार्तानुबद्धा काचनावयोरभूत् । कथा-संश्रिता च सा ‘ देशातिथिरासि । दृश्यन्ते च तेऽध्वश्रान्तानीव गात्राणि । यदि न दोषो मदृहेऽद्य विश्रमितुमनुग्रहः कियताम् ’ इत्यशंसत् । अहं च ‘ अयि मुग्धे नैष दोषो गुण एव ’ इति तदनुमार्गगामी तद्वह-गतो राजार्हेण स्नानभोजनादिनोपचरितः सुखं निषण्णो रहासि पर्यपृच्छचे—‘ महाभाग दिगन्तराणि भ्रमता कच्चिदस्ति किंचिदद्भुतं

उपहस्तिका ताम्बूलस्थापनाय चर्म (वस्त्र) पेशी । ‘ पूगाद्यावपनी चर्म (वस्त्र) भस्त्रिका चोपहस्तिका ’ इति वैजयन्ती । भाषया ‘ चंची ’ इति प्रसिद्धा । ‘ उऽदस्तिका ’ इति पाठे स एवार्थः । अनुप्रहारे प्रवृत्तः यः स्वपक्षः कुक्कुटान्यतरपक्षस्तेन मुक्तः कण्ठीरवरवः सिंहनादः यस्य । वाटः श्रेणिः । ‘ वाटः पुमान्पथि श्रेणौ ’ इति वररुचिः । वयोविरुद्धं ‘ समवयसोर्मैत्री ’ इति वचनात्तद्विरुद्धम् । नूपुरं पादभूषणम् । मुखरं वाक्पालम् । मदन्तिकं मत्समीपम् । पुरूपं पुरुषरूपम् । संकथा मिथोभाषणम् । देशवार्ता लौकिक-गोष्ठी । काचन वचनातीता । सा चाहं चावां तयोः । अनुग्रहः कृपा । राजार्हेण राज-योग्येन । कच्चिदिति प्रश्ने । आशास्पदमाशास्थानम् । संबाधः संघः ।

भवतोपलब्धम्' इति । ममामवन्मनसि—' महदिदमाशास्पदम् । एषा
 खलु निखिलपरिजनसंवाधसंलक्षितायाः सखी राजदारिकायाः चित्रपटे
 चास्मिन्नपि तदुपरिविरचितसितवितानं हर्म्यतलम्, तद्वतं च प्रकाम-
 शरदभ्रपटलपाण्डुरं शयनम्, तदाधेशायिनीं च निद्रालोढ-
 लोचना ममैवेयं प्रतिकृतिः । अतो नूनमनङ्गेन साऽपि राजकन्या तावतीं
 भूमिमारोपिता यस्यामसह्यमदनज्वरव्यथितोन्मादिता सती सखीनिर्वन्ध-
 पृष्ठविक्रियानिमित्ता चातुर्येणैतद्रूपनिर्माणेनैव समर्थमुत्तरं दत्तवती ।
 रूपसंवादाच्च संशयानयाऽनया पृष्ठो भिन्द्यामस्याः संशयं यथानुभव-
 कथनेन' इति जातनिश्चयोऽब्रवम्—' भद्रे देहि चित्रपटम्' इति । सा
 त्वर्पितवती मद्धस्ते । पुनस्तमादाय तामपि व्याजसुसामुल्लसन्मदनराग-
 विह्वलां वल्लभामेकैत्रैवामिलिख्य 'काचिदेवंभूता युवतिरीदृशस्य पुंसः
 पार्श्वशायिन्यरण्यानीप्रसुप्तेन मयोपलब्धा । किलैष स्वप्नः' इत्यालपं
 च । हृष्टया तु तया विस्तरतः पृष्ठः सर्वमेव वृत्तान्तमकथयम् । असौ
 च सख्या मन्निमित्तान्यवस्थान्तराण्यवर्णयत् । तदाकर्ण्य च 'यदि तव
 सख्या मदनुग्रहोन्मुखं मानसम्, गमय कानिचिदहानि । कमपि कन्या-
 पुरे निराशङ्कनिवासकर्णमुपायमारचय्यागमिष्यामि' इति कथचिदेना-
 मभ्युपगमय्य गत्वा तदेव खर्वटं वृद्धवितेन समगंसि ।

सोऽपि ससंभ्रमं विश्रमय्य तथैव स्नानभोजनादि कारयित्वा
 रहस्यपृच्छत्—' आर्य, कस्य हेतोरचिरेणैव प्रत्यागतोऽसि । ' प्रत्य-
 वादिषमेनम्—'स्थान एवाहमार्येणास्मि पृष्ठः । श्रूयताम् । अस्ति

उपरि विरचितं सितवितानं सितोलोचो यस्य । शरदभ्रं शरत्कालमेघस्तस्य पटलं
 तद्वत्पाण्डुरं शुभ्रम् । आलीढे व्यासे लोचने यस्याः सा । प्रतिकृतिरा-
 लेख्यम् । तावतीं भूमिं मदनपरवशतारूपां मर्यादाम् । असह्यश्चासौ मदनज्वरश्च तेन
 व्यथिता चासौ उन्मादिता च । सखीभिर्निर्वन्धेन आप्रहेण पृष्ठं विक्रियाया निमित्तं
 यस्याः । रूपस्य लिखितपुल्पस्यास्य च संवादास्सादृश्यात् । 'रूपसंवादाद्रूपदर्शनात्'
 इति भूषणा । व्याजेन मिषेण । उल्लसन्स्फुरन् यो मदनरागस्तेन विह्वलाम् । एकत्रैक-
 दिमन्प्रदेशे । अरण्यानी । 'महारण्यमरण्यानी' इत्यमरः । उपलब्धा प्राप्ता । मदनुग्रहो-
 न्मुखं मयि योऽनुग्रहस्तत्रोन्मुखमुत्कण्ठितम् । खर्वटो ग्रामः । स्थाने युक्तमित्यर्थः ।

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- हि श्रावस्ती नाम नगरी । तस्याः पतिरपर इव धर्मपुत्रो धर्मवर्धनो
 नाम राजा । तस्य दुहिता प्रत्यादेश इव श्रियः प्राणा इव
 कुसुमधन्वनः सौकुमार्यविडम्बितनवमालिका नवमालिका नाम
 कन्यका । सा मया समापत्तिदृष्टा कामनाराचपङ्क्तिमिव कटाक्षमालां
 मम मर्मणि व्यकिरत् । तच्छल्योद्धरणक्षमश्च धन्वन्तरिसदृशस्त्वदृते
 नेतरोऽस्ति वैद्य इति प्रत्यागतोऽस्मि । तत्प्रसीद कंचिदुपायमा-
 • चरितुम् । अयमहं परिवर्तितस्त्रीवेषस्ते कन्या नाम मवेयम् ।
 अनुगतश्च मया त्वमुपगम्य धर्मासनगतं धर्मवर्धनं वक्ष्यसि—
 ‘ममेयमेकैव दुहिता । जातमात्रायां त्वस्यां जनन्यस्याः संस्थिता ।
 माता च पिता च भूत्वाऽहमेव व्यवर्धयम् । एतदर्थमेव विद्यामयं
 शुल्कमर्जितुं गतोऽभूद्वान्तिनगरीमुज्जयिनीमस्मद्वैवाह्यकुलजः कोऽपि
 विप्रदारकः । तस्मै चैयमनुमता दातुमितरस्मै न योग्या । तरुणी-
 भूता चैयम् । स च विलम्बितः । तेन तमानीय पाणिमस्या ग्राह-
 यित्वा तस्मिन्न्यस्तभारः संन्यसिष्ये । दुर्गभिरक्षतया तु दुहितृणां
 मुक्तशैशवानां विशेषतश्चामातृकाणाम्, इह देवं मातृपितृ-
 स्थानीयं प्रजानामापन्नशरणमागतोऽस्मि । यदि वृद्धं ब्राह्मणमधीति-
 नमगतिर्मतिं च मामनुग्राह्यपक्षे गणयत्यादिराजचरितधुर्यो देवः,

प्रत्यादेशो निरसनम् । ‘प्रत्याख्यानं निरसनं प्रत्यादेशो निराकृतिः ।’ इत्यमरः ।
 सौकुमार्येण विडम्बिता कदर्थिता नवमालिका ययेति तथा । समापत्तिर्यदृच्छा-
 संगतिः । नाराचा बाणाः । मर्मणि जीवस्थाने । ‘जीवस्थानं भवेन्मर्म’ इति हलायुधः ।
 तच्छल्योद्धरणं तच्छल्यदूरीकरणं तत्र क्षमः समर्थः । धन्वन्तरिदेववैद्यः । संस्थिता मरणं
 प्राप्ता । व्यवर्धयं वर्धितवान् । शुल्कं जामात्रा देयं वस्तु । विवाहाय योग्यं वैवाह्यं
 यत्कुलं वंशस्तत्र जातः । संन्यसिष्ये संन्यासमाश्रयिष्ये । दुर्गभिरक्षतया दुःखेन रक्षण-
 योग्यतया । मुक्तशैशवानाम् । प्राप्तारूप्यानामित्यर्थः । आपन्नशरणमापन्नानामापत्रा-
 प्तानां शरणं रक्षकम् । ‘शरणं गृहरक्षित्रोः’ इत्यमरः । अधीतिनम् । ‘योऽधीत-
 कृत्स्नवेदः स्यात्सोऽधीतीत्युच्यते बुधैः’ इति कोशः । ‘इष्टादिभ्यश्च’ इति
 कर्तरि इनिः । अगतिं निराश्रयम् । अनुग्राह्यपक्षे कृपास्थानीये । आदिराजो मनुस्त-
 स्येव चरितं येषां ते आदिराजचरितास्तेषां धुर्यः श्रेष्ठः । ‘धुरो यद्भूकौ’ इति यत् ।

सैषा भवद्भुजच्छायामखण्डितचारित्रा तावदध्यास्तां यावदस्याः पाणिग्राहकमानयेयम् ' इति । स एवमुक्तो ' नियतमभिमनायमानः स्वदुहितृसंनिधौ मां वासयिष्यति । गतस्तु भवानागामिनि मासि फल्गुने फल्गुनीषूत्तरासु भाविनि राजान्तःपुरजनस्य तीर्थयात्रोत्सवे तीर्थस्थानात्प्राच्यां दिशि गोरुतान्तरमतिक्रम्य वानीरवलयमध्य-वर्तिनि कार्तिकेयगृहे करतलगतेन शुक्लाम्बरयुगलेन स्थास्यसि । स स्वस्वहमनमिशङ्क एवैतावन्तं कालं सहामिविहस्य राजकन्यया मूयस्त्वस्मिन्नुत्सवे गङ्गाम्भसि विहरन्विहारव्याकुले कन्यकासमाजे मग्नोप-सृतस्त्वदभ्यास एवोन्मग्न्यामि । पुनस्त्वदुपहृते वाससी परिधयापनीत-दारिकावेषो जामाता नाम भूत्वा त्वामेवानुगच्छेयम् । नृपात्मजा तु मामितस्ततोऽन्विष्यानासादयन्ती ' तथा विना न भोक्ष्ये ' इति रुदत्ये-वावरोधने स्थास्यति । तन्मूले च महति कोलाहले, क्रन्दत्सु परि-जनेषु, रुदत्सु सैखीजनेषु, शोचत्सु पौरजनेषु, किंकर्तव्यतामूढे सामात्ये पार्थिवे, त्वमास्थानीमेत्य मां स्थापयित्वा वक्ष्यसि—' देव स एष मे जामाता तवार्हति श्रीभुजाराधनम् । अधीती चतुर्ध्वान्ना-येषु, गृहीती षट्स्वङ्केषु, आन्वीक्षिकीविक्षणः, चतुःषष्टिकलागम-प्रयोगचतुरः, विशेषेण गजरथतुरङ्गतन्त्रवित्, इष्वसनास्त्रकर्मभि-गदायुद्धे च निरुपमः, पुगणेतिहासकुशल, कर्ता काव्यनाटकाख्या-यिकानाम्, वेत्ता सोपनिषदोऽर्थशास्त्रस्य, निर्मेत्सरो गुणेषु, विश्रम्भी

अखण्डितं चारित्रं यस्याः सा अखण्डितचारित्रा अदूषितकन्यावस्था । पाणिग्राहकं पाणिग्रहणकर्तारम् । फल्गुनीषूत्तरासु । उत्तराफल्गुनीधित्यर्थः । अनमिशङ्को निःशङ्कः । मग्नोपसृतो मग्नः सन्नुपसृतः । त्वदभ्यासे त्वत्समीपे । उन्मग्न्यामि प्रादुर्भविष्यामि । अवरोधनं राजान्तःपुरम् । ' अधीती चतुर्ध्वान्नायेषु ' इत्यत्र ' कस्येन्विषयस्य कर्मण्युप-संख्यानम् ' इति सप्तमी । आन्वीक्षिकी तर्कविद्या तस्यां विचक्षणः कुशलः । ' इति-हासः पुरावृत्तम् ' इत्यमरः । आख्यायिका प्रबन्धविशेषः कादम्बरीहर्षचरित्रादिः । ' प्रसूतानाकुलभ्रम्यशब्दार्थपदवृत्तिना । गद्येन युक्तोदात्तार्था सोच्छ्वासाऽऽख्यायिका मता ॥ ' इति श्रीमः । " वृत्तं व्याख्यायते तस्या नामकेनाथ चेष्टितम् । वक्त्रं चापरवक्त्रं च काले भाव्यर्थशंसि च ॥ कवेरभिप्रायकृतेरङ्कनैः कैश्चिदाननैः ॥ " इत्यधिकं भूषणायाम् । सोपनिषदोऽर्थशास्त्रस्य कर्मज्ञानमीमांसयोः । निर्मेत्सरो मात्सर्यरहितः ।

१ भुजतरु. २ आषाढ. ३ ०राशु राजा...स्त्वो भविष्यति. ४ रुदत्यवस्थास्यते. ५ अवरोध.

सुहृत्सु, शक्यः संविभागशीलः श्रुतधरो गतस्मयश्च । नास्य
दोषमणीयांसमप्युपलभे । न च गुणेष्वविद्यमानम् । तन्मादृशस्य
ब्राह्मणमात्रस्य न लभ्य एष संबन्धी । दुहितरमस्मै समर्प्य बार्द्धको-
चितमन्त्यमाश्रमं संक्रमेयं यदि देवः साधु मन्यते ' इति । स इद-
माकर्ण्य वैवर्ण्याक्रान्तवक्रः परमुपेतो वैलक्ष्यमारप्स्यतेऽनुनेतुमनित्य-
तादिसंकीर्तनेनाश्रमवन्तं मन्त्रिभिः सह । त्वं तु तेषामदत्तश्रोत्रो
मुक्तकण्ठं हृदित्वा चिरस्य बाष्पकुण्ठकण्ठः काष्ठान्याहृत्याग्निं संधुक्ष्य
राजमन्दिरद्वारे चिताधिरोहणायोपक्रमिष्यमे । स तावदेव त्वत्पाद-
योर्निपत्य सामात्यो नरपतिरैनूनैरथैस्त्वामुपच्छन्द्य दुहितरं मह्यं दत्त्वा
मद्योग्यतासमाराधितः समस्तमेव राज्यभारं मयि समर्पयिष्यति ।
सोऽयमभ्युपायोऽनुष्ठेयः, यदि तुभ्यं रोचते ' इति । सोऽपि पटुविटा-
नामग्रणीरसकृदभ्यस्तकपटप्रपञ्चः पाञ्चालशर्मा यथोक्तमभ्यधिकं च
निपुणमुपक्रान्तवान् । आसीच्च मम समीहितानामहীনकालसिद्धिः ।
अन्वमवं च मधुकर इव नवमालिकामार्द्रसुमनसम् । अस्य राज्ञः
सिंहवर्मणः साहाय्यदानं सुहृत्संकेतभूमिगमनमित्युभयमपेक्ष्य सर्वबल-
संदोहेन चम्पामिमामुपगतो दैवादिवदर्शनसुखमनुभवामि ' इति ।

श्रुत्वैतत्प्रमातिचरितं स्मितमुकुलितमुखनलिनः ' विलासप्रायमूर्जि-
तम्, मृदुप्रायं चेष्टितम्, इष्ट एष मार्गः प्रज्ञावताम् । अथेदानीमत्र-
भवान्प्रविशतु ' इति मित्रगुप्तमैक्षत क्षितीशपुत्रः ।

इति श्रीदण्डिनः कृतौ दशकुमारचरिते प्रमातिचरितं नाम पञ्चम उच्छ्वासः ।

विश्रम्भी विश्वासवान् । ' शक्यः प्रियंवदः प्रोक्तः ' इति हलायुवः । गतस्मयो गर्व-
रहितः । अविद्यमानम् । उपलभे इति शेषः । अन्त्यमाश्रमं संन्यासम् । विवर्णस्य भावो
वैवर्ण्यम् । वैलक्ष्यं परं वैलक्ष्यमुपेत इत्यन्वयः । ' समनुनेतुं खेदं दूरीकर्तुम् ' इति
भूषणा । संधुक्ष्य प्रज्वाल्यत्यर्थः । अनूनैः महामूर्त्यैरित्यर्थः । कपटप्रपञ्चः हलरचना ।
उपक्रान्तवान्संपादितवान् । अहीनकालसिद्धिरत्युच्चकालसिद्धिः । नवमालिकाम् ।
मालतीमित्यर्थः । मार्द्रसुमनसं सरसपुष्पम् । मधुकरं मार्द्रसुमनसमिव नवमालिकां राज-
कन्यामन्वभवमित्यन्वयः । संदोहेन समूहेन । मुकुलितं हास्यसंकुचितम् । मुख-
नलिनं मुखकमलम् । विलासप्रायं विलासबहुलम् । प्रज्ञावतां बुद्धिमताम् ।

इति श्रीदशकुमारचरितटीकायां पञ्चम उच्छ्वासः ।

षष्ठ उच्छ्वासः ।

सोऽप्याचक्षे—‘ देव सोऽहमपि सुहृत्साधारणभ्रमणकारणः सुक्ष्मेषु दामलिताह्वयस्य नगरस्य बाह्योद्याने महान्तमुत्सवसमाज-मालोकयम् । तत्र कचिर्देतिमुक्तलतामण्डपे कमपि वीणावादेनात्मानं विनोदयन्तमुत्कण्ठितं युवानमद्राक्षम् । अप्राक्षं च—‘ मद्र को नामायसुत्सवः किमर्थं वा समारब्धः केन वा निमित्तेनोत्सवमनाद-त्यैकान्ते भवानुत्कण्ठित इव परिवादिनीद्वितीयस्तिष्ठति ’ इति । सोऽभ्य-धत्त—‘ सौम्य, सुक्ष्मपतिस्तुङ्गधन्वा नामानपत्यः प्रार्थितवानमुष्मिन्ना-यतने विस्मृतविन्ध्यवासरागं वसन्त्या विन्ध्यवासिन्याः पादमूलादपत्य-द्वयम् । अनया च किलास्मै प्रतिशयिताय स्वप्ने समादिष्टम्—‘ समु-त्पत्स्यते तवैकः पुत्रः, जनिष्यते चैका दुहिता । स तु तस्याः पाणिग्राहकमनुजीविष्यति । सा तु सप्तमाद्वर्षादारभ्या परिणयनात्प्रति-मासं कृत्तिकासु कन्दुकनृत्येन गुणवद्भर्तृलामाय मं समाराधयतु । यं चौभिलषेत्साऽमुष्मै देया । स चोत्सवः कन्दुकोत्सवनामाऽस्तु ’ इति । ततोऽरूपीयसा कालेन राज्ञः प्रियमहिषी मेदिनी नामैकं पुत्रमसूत । समुत्पन्ना चैका दुहिता । साऽद्य कन्या कन्दुकावती नाम सोमापीडां देवी कन्दुकविहारेणारौधयितुमागमिष्यति । तस्यास्तु सखी चन्द्रसेना नाम धात्रेयिका मम प्रियाऽऽसीत् । सा चैषु दिवसेषु राजपुत्रेण

सोऽपि मित्रगुप्तोऽपि । सुक्ष्मेषु देशविशेषेषु । ‘ अग्निकोणदिग्स्थेषु ’ इति भूषणा । दामलिताह्वयस्य दामलिनाम्ना ख्यातस्य । ‘ अतिमुक्तः पुण्ड्रकः स्यात् ’ इत्यमरः । उत्कण्ठितं जातोकण्ठम् । भवेति कल्याणवत्संबोधनम् । अनाह्वय उपेक्ष्येत्यर्थः । परि-वादिनीद्वितीयः वीणासहायः । ‘ विपश्ची सा तु तन्त्रीभिः सप्तभिः परिवादिनी ’ इत्यमरः । अभ्यधत्त प्रत्युत्तरं दत्तवान् । सौम्येत्यासतया संबोधनम् । आयतनं देवस्थानम् । विन्ध्यवासिन्याः दुर्गायाः । प्रतिशयिताय निद्रिताय । प्रायोपवेशनास्थितायेत्यर्थः । आ परिणयनाद्विवाहकालं यावत् । कृत्तिकासु तन्नामनक्षत्रेषु । कन्दुकनृत्येन कन्दुकवन्नृत्यं तेन । कन्दुकावतीत्यत्र ‘ मतौ बहुचोऽनजिरादीनाम् ’ इति दीर्घः संज्ञायाम्—इति भूषणा । सोमापीडां देवी चन्द्रशेखराम् । ‘ आपीडाः शेखरः समौ ’ इति वैजयन्ती । धात्र्युपमाता

भीमधन्वना बलवदनुरुद्धा । तदहमुत्कण्ठितो मन्मथशरशल्यदुःखोद्विग्न-
चेताः कलेन वीणारषेणात्मानं किञ्चिदाश्वासयन्विविक्तमध्यासे ' इति ।

अस्मिन्नेव च क्षणे किमपि नूपुरकणितमुपातिष्ठत् । आगता
च काचिदङ्गना । दृष्ट्वैव स एनामुत्फुल्लदृष्टिरुत्थायोर्पगूह्य गाढमुपगूढ-
कण्ठश्च तथा तत्रैवोपाविशत् । अशंसच्च—' सैषा मे प्राणसमा
यद्विरहो दहन इव दहति माम् । इदं च मे जीवितमपहरता राज-
पुत्रेण मृत्युनेव निरुष्मतां नीतः । न च शक्यामि राजसूनुरित्यमु-
ष्मिन्पापमाचरितुम् । अतोऽनयाऽऽत्मानं सुदृष्टं कारयित्वा त्यक्ष्या-
मि निष्प्रतिक्रियान्प्राणान् ' इति । सा तु पर्यश्रुमुखी समभ्य-
धात्—' मा स्म नाथ मत्कृतेऽध्यवस्यः साहसम् । यस्त्वमुत्तमा-
त्सार्थवाहादर्थदासादुत्पद्य कोशदास इति गुरुभिरभिहितनामधेयः
पुनर्मदत्यासङ्गाद्वेशदास इति द्विषद्भिः प्रख्यापितोऽसि तस्मिन्स्त्व-
य्युपरते यद्यहं जीवेयं नृशंसो वेश इति समर्थयेयं लोकवादम् ।
अतोऽद्यैव नय मामीप्सितं देशम् ' इति । स तु मामभ्यधत्त—
' भद्र भवद्दृष्टेषु राष्ट्रेषु कतमत्समृद्धं संपन्नसस्यं सत्पुरुषभूयिष्ठं
च ' इति । तमहमीषद्विहस्याब्रवम् —' भद्र विस्तीर्णैयमर्णवा-
म्बरा । न पर्यन्तोऽस्ति स्थानस्थानेषु रम्याणां जनपदानाम् । अपि
तु न चेदिह युवयोः सुखनिवासकारणं कमप्युपायमुत्पादयितुं
शक्नुयां ततोऽहमेव भवेयमध्वदर्शी ' इति । तावतोदैरत राणितानि
मणिनूपुराणाम् । अथासौ जातसंभ्रमा ' प्राप्तैवेयं मर्तृदारिका
कन्दुकावती कन्दुकर्काडितेन देवीं विन्ध्यवासिनीमाराधयितुम् ।
अनिषिद्धदर्शना चेयमस्मिन्कन्दुकोत्सवे । सफलमस्तु युष्मच्चक्षुः ।

तस्याः कन्या धात्रोयिका । ' स्त्रीभ्यो ङक् ' । शरशल्यं बाणाग्रम् । शल्येभ्यो दुःखं
तेनोद्विग्नं चेतो यस्य । कलेन गम्भीरेण । ' कलो मन्द्रस्तु गम्भीरे ' इत्यमरः ।
विविक्तं विजनम् । उपगूह्यालिङ्ग्य । उपगूढकण्ठ आश्लिष्टकण्ठः । निरुष्मतां निस्तेज-
स्त्वम् । निष्प्रतिक्रियानिष्प्रतीकारान् । सा त्विति । पर्यश्रुमुखी परिगतान्यश्रूणि
यस्मिन्निति । उपरते मृते । नृशंसो घातुकः । ईप्सितमिष्टम् । संपन्नसस्यं प्रचुरधान्यम् ।
अर्णवाम्बरा समुद्रवसना पृथ्वी । पर्यन्तः समाप्तिः । जनपदानां देशानाम् ।
' नीतृजनपदो देशः ' इत्यमरः । अध्वदर्शी मार्गोपदेष्टा । तावता तत्काले-
नेत्यर्थः । उदैरत उत्पन्नानीत्यर्थः । राणितानि शब्दितानि । अथेति । अनिषिद्ध-

आगच्छतं द्रष्टुम् । अहमस्याः सकाशवर्तिनी भवेयम् ' इत्ययासीत् ।
तामन्वयाव चावाम् । महति रत्नरङ्गपीठे स्थितां प्रथमं ताम्रोष्ठी-
मपश्यम् । अतिष्ठच्च सा सद्य एव मम हृदये । न मयाऽन्येन वाऽन्तराले
दृष्टा । चित्रीयाविष्टचित्तश्चाचिन्तयम्—' किमियं लक्ष्मीः । न हि न हि ।
तस्याः किल हस्ते विन्यस्तं कमलम्, अस्यास्तु हस्त एव कमलम् ।
भुक्तपूर्वा च सा पुरातनेन पुंसा पूर्वराजैश्च, अस्याः पुनरनवद्यमयात-
यामं च यौवनम् ' इति चिन्तयत्येव मयि साऽननैसर्वगात्री व्यत्यस्त-
हस्तपल्लवाग्रस्पृष्टभूमिरालोलनीलकुटिलालका सैविभ्रमं मगँवतीमभि-
वन्द्य कन्दुकममन्दरागरूपिताक्षमनङ्गमिवालम्बत । लीलाशिथिलं च
भूमौ मुक्तवती । मन्दोत्थितं च किञ्चित्कुञ्चिताङ्गुष्ठेन प्रसृतकोमलाङ्गु-
लिना पाणिपल्लवेन समाहत्य हस्तपृष्ठेन चोन्नय, चटुलदृष्टिालम्बितं
स्तबकमिव भ्रमरमालानुविद्धमवपतन्तमाकाश एवाग्रहीत् । अमुञ्चच्च ।
मध्यैविलम्बितलये द्रुतलये मृदुमृदु च प्रहरन्ती तत्क्षणं चूर्णपदमदर्श-
यत् । प्रशान्तं च तं निर्दयप्रहारैरुदपातयत् । विपर्ययेण च प्राशमयत् ।
पक्षमृज्वागतं च वामदक्षिणाम्यां कराभ्यां पर्यायेणाभिघ्नती शकुन्त-
मिवोदस्थापयत् । दूरोत्थितं च प्रपतन्तमाहत्य गीतमार्गमारचयत् ।

दर्शना अप्रतिहतदर्शना । चित्रीयाविष्टचित्तः विस्मयाविष्टचित्तः । ' चित्रीया विस्मयो-
द्भुतम् ' इति कोशः । 'चित्रीया । नमोवरिवाश्चित्रद्वः क्यच्—इति क्यजन्तादप्रत्ययः
स्त्रियाम् । किमियमित्याद्याक्षेपालंकारः । आक्षेपः स्वयमुक्तस्य प्रतिषेधो विचारणात्—
इति लक्षणात् ' इति भूषणा । अयातयाममपरिभुक्तमिति यावत् । 'जीर्णं च परिभुक्तं च
यातयाममिदं द्वयम् । ' इति कोशः । अनघं निर्दोषम् । व्यत्यस्तौ परावर्तितौ हस्त-
पल्लवौ तयोरप्राभ्यां स्पृष्टा भूमिर्यया । कुटिला वक्राः । अलक धूर्णकुन्तलाः । अम-
न्देन बहुलेन रागेण रूपितानि राजितानि अक्षीणि यस्य । पक्षे अमन्देन रागे-
णानुरागेण रूपिते अक्षिणी येन तम् । शिथिलं श्लथम् । मन्दं निश्चलम् । कुञ्चितो
वर्कितः । चटुलश्चलः । स्तबको गुच्छः । आकाश एव मध्य एव । मध्यविलम्बितं
मध्ये विलम्बितम् । द्रुतं लयः पतनं यत्रेति तस्मिन्सतीति सतिसप्तमी । ' विलम्बितं
द्रुतं मध्यं तच्चमोघो घनं क्रमात् । ताल. कालक्रियामानम् ' इत्यमरः । चूर्णपदम् । ' गत्या-
गत्योरानुलोभ्येन न्यूनाधिक्यक्षेपणं तच्चूर्णपदम् ' इति कन्दुकतन्त्रे । उदपातयदुत्थित-
मकरोत् । पक्षं पार्श्वतः । शकुन्तः पक्षी । गीतमार्गम् । ' दशपदचक्रमणं गीतमार्गं विदुः '

१ अभुक्तपूर्वा चासौ. २ अनवद्य. ३ ससंभ्रमम्. ४ भगवतीं भवानीम्. ५ विलम्बितद्रुत-
मध्यलये. ६ च मृदुमृदु. ७ आचरत्.

प्रतिदिशं च गमायेत्वा प्रेत्यागमयत् । एवमनेककरणमधुरं विहरन्ती
 रङ्गगतस्य रक्तचेतसो जनस्य प्रतिक्षणमुञ्चावचाः प्रशंसावाचः प्रसि-
 गृह्णीती, तत्क्षणाखण्डविभ्रमं कोशदासमंसेऽवलम्ब्य कण्टकितगण्डमु-
 त्फुल्लेक्षणं च मय्यभिमुखीभूय तिष्ठति तत्प्रथमावतीर्णकन्दर्पकारित-
 कटाक्षदृष्टिस्तदनुमार्गविलसितलीलाञ्चितभ्रूलता, श्वासानिलवेगान्दोलितै-
 र्दन्तच्छदरदिमजालैर्लीलापल्लवैरिव मुखकमलपरिमलग्रहणलोलानलिनस्ता-
 डयन्ती, मण्डलभ्रमणेषु कन्दुकस्यातिशीघ्रप्रचारितया विशन्तीव महर्शन-
 लज्जया पुष्पमयं पञ्जरम्, पञ्चबिन्दुप्रसृतेषु पञ्चापि पञ्चबाणबाणान्युग-
 पदिवाभिपततस्त्रासेनावधट्टयन्ती, गोमूत्रिकाप्रचारेषु घनदर्शितरागविभ्रमा
 विद्युलतामिव विडम्बयन्ती, भूषणमणिरणितदत्तलयसंवादिपादचारम्, अप-
 देशस्मितप्रभानिषिक्तबिम्बाधरम्, असखंसितप्रतिसमाहितशिखण्डभारम्,
 सैमाघटितकणितरत्नमेखलागुणम्, अञ्चितोत्थितपृथुनितम्बलम्बिवि-
 चलदंशुकोज्ज्वलम्, आकुञ्चितप्रसृतवेल्लितभुजलतामिहतललितकन्दुकम्,
 आवर्जितबाहुर्पाशम्, परिवर्तितत्रिकाविलग्नलोलकुन्तलम्, अवगलित-
 कर्णपूरकनकपत्रप्रतिसमाधानशीघ्रतानतिक्रमितप्रकृतक्रीडम्, असकृदु-

इति कन्दुकतन्त्रे । अनेककरणमधुरमनेकव्यापाररम्यम् । उञ्चावचाः स्थूलसूक्ष्माः ।
 तत्क्षणे आखण्डो विभ्रमो विश्वासो यस्मिन्तस्मिन् । प्रतिक्षणाखण्डविभ्रममिति पाठे प्रति-
 क्षणमाखण्ड उत्पन्नो विभ्रमो विलासो यस्येति तथा । कण्टकितौ रोमाञ्चितौ गण्डौ यस्मि-
 न्कर्मणि तद्यथा स्यात्तथा । तिष्ठति सतीति सतिसप्तमी । तत्प्रथमं तदेव प्रथममध-
 तीर्णं आगतो यः कन्दर्पः कामस्तेन कारिता कटाक्षदृष्टिर्यस्याः सेति तथा । तदनुमार्गे
 कन्दुकानुमार्गे विलसितस्य खेलनस्य लीला तयाऽञ्चितं भ्रूलते यस्याः । अनिलवेगो
 वायुवगः । पञ्चबिन्दुप्रसृतेषु । 'पञ्चावर्तप्रहारस्तु पञ्चबिन्दुप्रदाहृतः' इति । अवधट्ट-
 यन्त्यालोडयन्ती । गोमूत्रिकाप्रचारेषु । 'गोमूत्रिकेति विद्वद्भिश्चरः शातहृदो मतः' इति
 च । घनं दर्शितोऽतिमात्रदर्शितः । मेघे दर्शितश्च । विभ्रमः स्फुरणम् । विडम्बयन्त्यनु-
 कुर्वती । रणितं शब्दितम् । लयसंवादि लयानुरोधि । समाघटितः समीकृतः कणितः
 शब्दवान्मेखलागुणो यत्र । अञ्चितं सम्यग्यथा तथोत्थित उन्नतः पृथुर्महान् नितम्बस्तत्र
 लम्बि विचलच्च यदंशुकं तेनोज्ज्वलं यथा तथा । वेल्लिता भ्रामिता । परिवर्तितं यद्
 त्रिकम् । 'त्रिकं त्रिकाटिकायां च पृष्ठवंशाधरेऽपि च' इति वैजयन्ती । तत्र विलम्बा
 लीला कुन्तला यथा स्युस्तथा । अवगलितं स्रस्तं कर्णपूरभूतं कनकपत्रं तस्य प्रति-
 समाधानं स्वस्थाने पुनर्निवेशनं तत्र या शीघ्रता तयाऽनतिक्रमिता प्रकृता क्रीडा

१ प्रत्यागमत्, २ उञ्चावचम्, ३ प्रतिक्षणाखण्डविभ्रमम्, ४ आघातकणितमेखलागुणम्,
 ५ लम्बितचेलम्, नितम्बविलम्बित, ६ अंशुकाञ्चलम्, ७ आवर्तित, ८ पाशानुषिङ्गपरि०,
 ९ उपरि परि०,

त्क्षिप्यमाणहस्तपादबाह्याभ्यन्तरभ्रान्तकन्दुकम्, अवनमनोन्नमनैरन्तर्य-
नष्टदृष्टमध्ययष्टिकम्, अवपतनोत्पतनविपर्यस्तमुक्ताहारम्, अङ्कुरित-
वर्मसलिलदूषितकपोलपत्रभङ्गशोषणाधिकृतश्रवणपल्लवानिलम्, आगलित-
स्तनतटांशुकनियमनत्यापृतैकपाणिपल्लवं च निषद्योत्थाय निमी-
ल्योन्मील्य स्थित्वा गत्वा चैवातिचित्रं पर्यक्रीडत राजकन्या ।
अभिहृत्य भूतलाकाशयोरपि क्रीडान्तराणि दर्शनीयान्येकेनैवानेकेनैव
कन्दुकेनादर्शयत् । चन्द्रसेनादिभिश्च प्रियसखीभिः सह विहृत्य •
विहृतान्ते चाभिवन्द्य देवीं मैनसा मे सानुरागेणेव परिजनेन चानु-
गम्यमाना, कुवलयशरमिव कुसुमशरस्य मय्यपाङ्गं समर्पयन्ती, साप-
देशमसकृदावर्त्यमानवदनचन्द्रमण्डलतया स्वहृदयमिव मत्सर्मापे प्रेरितं
प्रतिनिवृत्तं न वेत्यालोकयन्ती, सह सखीभिः कुमारीपुरमगमत् ।

अहं चानङ्गविह्वलः स्ववेश्म गत्वा कोशदासेन यत्नवदत्युदारं
स्नानभोजनादिकमनुभाविताऽस्मि । सायं चोपसृत्य चन्द्रसेना रहसि
मां प्रणिपत्य पत्युरंसमसेन प्रणयपेशलमाघट्टयन्त्युपाविशत् । आचष्ट
च हृष्टः कोशदामः—‘ भूयासमेवं यावदायुगयतासि त्वत्प्रसादस्य
पात्रम् ’ इति । मया तु सम्मितमभिहितम्—‘ सखे किमेतदाशा-
स्यम् । अस्ति किञ्चिदञ्जनम् । अनया तदङ्कनेत्रया राजसूनु-
स्थितो वानरीमिवैनां द्रक्ष्यति विरक्तश्चैनां पुनस्त्यक्ष्यति ’ इति ।

तथा युक्तं यथा तथा । असकृदिति । हस्ती पादौ च तेषां बाह्याभ्यन्तरे भ्रान्तः
कन्दुकः यस्मिन्कर्मणि तद्यथा तथा । ‘ बनेश ’ इति लोकप्रासिद्धं क्रीडनकम् इति
भूषणा । अवनमनोन्नमनयोरन्तर्यान्नाश्च दृष्टा च मध्ययष्टिः शरीरमध्यभागो यथा
तथा । अङ्कुरितमीषः प्रादुर्भूतं यद् धर्मसलिलं स्वेदजलं तेन दूषितो यः कपोलयोः
पत्रभङ्गः तस्य शोषणे अधिकृतोऽधिकारी कृतः श्रवणपल्लवः कर्णोन्नतपल्लवस्तस्या-
निलो यत्र । स्तनतटांशुकनियमनं कुचतटोपरिगतवस्त्रसमीकरणं तत्र व्यापृतो व्यासक्तः ।
अतिचित्रमनेकप्रकारम् । विहृतान्ते खेलनान्ते । अपाङ्गं नेत्रप्रान्तम् । सापदेशं
सव्याजम् । ‘ अपदेशः स्मृतो लक्ष्ये निमित्तव्याजयोरपि ’ इति विश्वः । अहमिति ।
अनङ्गविह्वलो मदनव्याकुलः । अनुभाविताऽस्मि । अनुभवविषयीकृत इत्यर्थः ।
प्रणयपेशलं प्रीतिमुन्दरम् । भूयासं भविष्य इत्यर्थः । तदङ्कनेत्रयाऽञ्जनाङ्कनेत्रया ।

तथा तु स्मेरयाऽस्मि कथितः— 'सोऽयमार्येणाज्ञाकरो जनोऽयर्थ-
मनुगृहीतः यदास्मिन्नेव जन्मनि मानुषं अपुरपनीय वानरीकरिष्यते ।
तदास्तामिदम् । अन्यथाऽपि सिद्धं नः समीहितम् । अद्य खलु कन्दु-
कोत्सवे भवन्तमवहसितमनोभवाकारमभिलषन्ती रोषादिव शम्बर-
द्विषाऽतिमात्रमायास्यते राजपुत्री । सोऽयमर्थो विदितभावया मया
स्वमात्रे तथा च तन्मात्रे महिष्या च मनुजेन्द्राय निवेदयिष्यते ।
• विदितार्थस्तु पार्थिवस्त्वया दुहितुः पाणिं ग्राहयिष्यति । ततश्च
त्वदनुजीविना राजपुत्रेण भवितव्यम् । एष हि देवताममादिष्टो विधिः ।
त्वदायत्ते च राज्ये नालमेव त्वामतिक्रम्य मामवरोद्धुं भीमधन्वा ।
तत्सहतामयं त्रिचतुराणि दिनानि । ' इति मामामन्य प्रियं चोप-
गृह्य प्रत्ययासीत् । मम कोशदासस्य च तदुक्तानुसारेण बहु
विकल्पयतोः कथंचिदक्षीयत क्षपा । क्षपान्ते च कृतयथोचित-
नियमस्तमेव प्रियादर्शनसुभगमुद्यानोद्देशमुपगतोऽस्मि । तत्रैव
चोपसृत्य राजपुत्रो निरभिमानमनुकूलाभिः कथाभिर्मानुव्रत-
मानो मुहूर्तमास्त । नीत्वा चोपकार्यामात्मसमेन स्नानभोजनशयनादि-
व्यतिकरेणोपाचरत् । तत्पगतं च स्वप्नेनानुभूयमानप्रियादर्शनालिङ्गन-
सुखमायसेन निगडेनातिबलवद्बहुपुरुषैः पीवरभुजदण्डोरुद्धमबन्ध-
यन्माम् । प्रतिबुद्धं च सहसा समभ्यधात्—'अयि दुर्मते श्रुत-
मालपितं हतायाश्चन्द्रसेनाया जालरन्ध्रनिःसृतं तच्चेष्टावबोधप्रयुक्तया-
ऽनया कुब्जया । त्वं किलाभिलषितो वराक्या कन्दुकावत्या, तव
किलानुजीवेना मया स्थेयं, त्वद्वचः किलानतिक्रमता मया चन्द्र-

आज्ञाकरः सेवकजनः । अन्यथाऽपि मनुष्यस्य वानरीकरणं विनाऽपि । अद्येति । अव-
हसित उपहासं प्रापितो मनोभवाकारो मदनशरीरं येनेति । शम्बरद्विषा कामेन । अति-
मात्रं निर्भरम् । 'अतिमात्रोद्वाढनिर्भरम्' इत्यमरः । आयास्यते आयासं प्राप्यते । स्वामनु-
जीवतीति तथा । विधिरदृष्टम् । सहतामयं कोशदासः । कथंचिन्महता प्रयासेन ।
क्षपा रात्रिः । अनुकूलाभिः स्वेष्टाभिः । उपकार्या राजगृहम् । आयसन लोहमयेन ।
पीवरो मांसलैः भुजदण्डौ बाहुदण्डौ ताभ्यामुपरुद्धं यथा तथा । जालरन्ध्रं गवाक्ष-
च्छिद्म् । किलेति असंभाव्यार्थे । 'वार्तासंभाव्ययोः किल' इत्यमरः ।

सेना कोशदासाय दास्यते ' इत्युक्त्वा पार्श्वचरं पुरुषमेकमालोक्याकथयत्—' प्रक्षिपैनं सागरे ' इति । स तु लब्धराज्य इवातिहृष्टः ' देव यदाज्ञापयसि ' इति यथादिष्टमकरोत् । अहं तु निरालम्बनो भुजाम्यामितस्ततः स्पन्दमानः किमपि काष्ठं दैवदत्तमुरसोपश्लिष्य तावदग्नौषि यावदपासरद्वासरः शर्वरी च सर्वा । प्रत्युषस्यदृश्यत किमपि वहित्रम् । अमुत्रासन्न्यवनाः । ते मामुद्धृत्य रामेषुनाम्ने नाविकनायकाय कथितवन्तः—' कोऽप्ययमायसनिगडबद्ध एव जले लब्धः पुरुषः । सोऽयमपि सिञ्चेत्सहस्रं द्राक्षाणां क्षणेनैकेन ' इति । अस्मिन्नेव क्षणे नैकनौकापरिवृतः कोऽपि मद्गुरभ्यधावत् । 'अबिभयुर्यवनाः । तावदतिजवा नौकाः श्वान इव वराहमस्मत्पोतं पर्यरुत्सत । प्रावर्तत च संप्रहारः । पराजयिषत यवनाः । तानहमगतीनवसीदतः समाश्रयालपिषम्—' अपनयत मे निगडबन्धनम् । अयमहमवसादयामि वः सपत्नान् ' इति । अमी तथाऽकुर्वन् । सर्वाश्च तान्प्रातिभटान्भल्लवर्षिणा भीमटंकृतेन शार्ङ्गेण लवलवीकृताङ्गानकार्षम् । अवप्लुत्य हतविध्वस्तयोधमस्मत्पोतसंसक्तपोतममुत्र नाविकनायकमनभिसरमभिरपत्य जीवग्राहमग्रहीषम् । असौ चासीत्स एव भीमधन्वा । तं चाहमवबुध्य जातव्रीडमब्रवम्—'तात किं दृष्टानि कृतान्तविलसितानि ' इति । ते तु सांयात्रिका मदीयेनैव शृङ्खलेन तमतिगाढं बद्ध्वा हर्षकिलकिलारवमकुर्वन्मां चापूजयन् ।

स्पन्दमानः चेष्टमानः । उपश्लिष्यालिङ्ग्य । अपासरदतिक्रान्तः । शर्वरी रात्रिः । वहित्रं वहनम् । अपि सिञ्चेत् । अपिशब्दः संभावनायाम् । ' गर्हासमुच्चयप्रशस्त्राङ्कासंभावनास्वपि । ' इत्यमरः । मद्गुः पोतविशेषः । अतिजवा अतिवेगवत्यः । पर्यरुत्सत परितो रुधुरित्यर्थः । पराजयिषत पराजयं प्राप्ता इत्यर्थः । आलपिषमवदम् । अवसादयामि । नाशयिष्यामीत्यर्थः । सपत्नान्वैरिणः । भल्लवर्षिणा बाणवर्षिणेत्यर्थः । टंकृतेन टङ्कारेण । ' तपुंसके भावे कः ' । शार्ङ्गेण चापेन । लवलवीकृताङ्गान् लेशलेशीकृताङ्गान् । " लवो भागस्तस्य लवस्तथाकृतान् । चूर्णितानित्यर्थः । " इति भूषणा । अनभिसरमसहायम् । ' अनुलवः सहायश्चानुचरोऽभिसरः समाः । ' इत्यमरः । जीवग्राहं जीवं गृहीत्वेति णमुल् । जातव्रीडं जातलज्जम् । कृतान्तो यमः । सांयात्रिकाः पोतवणिजः । ' सांयात्रिकः पोतवणिक् ' इत्यमरः । किलकिलारवमित्यनुकरणम् ।

दुर्वारा तु सा नौरननुकूलवातनुजा दूरमभिपत्य कमपि द्वीपं
निबिडमाश्लिष्टवती । तत्र च स्वादु पानीयमेधांसि कन्दमूलफलानि च
संजिघृक्षवो गाढपातिताशिलावलयमवातराम । तत्र चासीन्महाशैलः ।
सोऽहम्—‘अहो रमणीयोऽयं पर्वतनितम्बभागः, कान्ततरेयं गन्धपाषाण-
वत्युपत्यका, शिशिरमिदमिन्द्रीवरारविन्दमकरन्दबिन्दुचन्द्रकोत्तरं गोत्र-
वारि, रम्योऽयमनेकवर्णकुसुममञ्जरीमञ्जुलतरस्तरुवनाभोगः’ इत्युत्त-
तरया दृशा बहुबहु पश्यन्नलक्षिताध्यारुढक्षोणीधराशिखरः शोणीभूत-
मुत्प्रमाभिः पद्मरागसोपानशिलाभिः किमपि नालीकपरागधूसरं सरः
समध्यगमम् । तत्र स्नातेश्च कांश्चिदमृतस्वादून्विसमङ्गानास्वाद्य, अंसलग्न-
कह्लारस्तीरवर्तिना केनापि भीमरूपेण ब्रह्मराक्षसेनाभिपत्य ‘कोऽसि, कुत-
स्त्योऽसि’ इति निर्भर्त्सयताऽभ्यधीये । निर्भयेन च मया सोऽभ्यधीयत—
‘सौम्य सोऽहमस्मि द्विजन्मा । शत्रुहस्तादर्णवम्, अर्णवाद्यवननावम्, यवन-
नावश्चित्रप्रावाणमेनं पर्वतप्रवरं गतो यदृच्छयाऽस्मिन्सरासि विश्रान्तः । भद्रं
तव’ इति । सोऽब्रू—‘न चेद्वीषि प्रश्नानश्नामि त्वाम्’ इति । मयोक्तम्—
‘पृच्छा तावत् भवतु’ इति । अथावयोरेकयाऽऽर्ययाऽऽसीत्संलापः—

किं क्रूरं स्त्रीहृदयं किं गृहिणः प्रियहिताय दारगुणाः ।

कः कामः संकल्पः किं दुष्करसाधनं प्रज्ञा ॥

अननुकूलेन प्रतिकूलवातेन नुजा प्रेरिता । एधांसि काष्ठानि । ‘काष्ठं दार्विन्धनं त्वेधः’
इत्यमरः । संजिघृक्षवो प्रहीतुकामाः । गाढं पातितं शिलावलयं शिलामण्डलं यत्र
तथा । नितम्बभागः तटप्रदेशः । गन्धपाषाणवती मनःशिलादिधातुपाषणमयीत्यर्थः ।
अथ वा गन्धपाषाणः शैल्यम् । ‘शैलेयं गन्धपाषाणः शिलापुष्पं च कथ्यते’ इति कोशः ।
उपत्यका पर्वतासन्नभूमिः । ‘उपत्यकाऽद्वेरासन्ना भूमिः’ इत्यमरः । इन्द्रीवरारविन्दानां
मकरन्दबिन्दवः । गोत्रवारि पर्वतनिर्झरजलम् । अनेकवर्णानि नानावर्णानि यानि
कुसुमानि तेषां मञ्जरीभिः मञ्जुलतरोऽतिरम्यः । तरुवनाभोगस्तत्तत्पूर्णता । अतृप्ततरया
दर्शनेच्छावत्येत्यर्थः । अलक्षितमध्यारुढं क्षोणीधरस्य पर्वतस्य शिखरं येन सः ।
अतिदूरं गत इति यावत् । शोणीभूतमारक्तीभूतम् । नालीकं पद्मम् । ‘नालीकं पद्मपाणयोः’
इति वैजयन्ती । अर्णवं समुद्रम् । यवननावः । पद्मभ्यन्तमिदम् । पर्वतप्रवरं पर्वतश्रेष्ठम् ।
भत इति प्रत्येकं द्वितीयान्तमन्वेति । संलापो मिथोभाषणम् । किं क्रूरमिति ।
प्रियहिताय प्रियं च हितं च तस्मै । दारगुणा भार्याया गुणाः । संकल्पो निश्चयः ।

‘तत्र धूमिनीगोमिनीनिम्बवतीनितम्बवत्यः प्रमाणम् ।’ इत्युपादिष्टो मया सोऽब्रूत—‘कथय कीदृश्यस्ताः’ इति । अत्रोदाहरम्—

‘अस्ति त्रिगतौ नाम जनपदः । तत्रासन्गृहिणस्त्रयः स्फीतसारधनाः सोदर्या धनकधान्यकधन्यकाख्याः । तेषु जीवत्सु न वर्ष वर्षाणि द्वादश दशशताक्षः । क्षीणसारं सस्यम्, ओषध्यो वन्ध्याः, न फल-
वन्तो वनस्पतयः, क्लीबा मेषाः, क्षीणस्रोतसः खवन्त्यः, पङ्कशेषाणि पल्वलानि, निर्निस्त्यन्दान्युत्समण्डलानि, विरलीभूतं कन्दमूलफलम्, अवहीनाः कथाः, गलिताः कल्याणोत्सवक्रियाः, बहुलीभूतानि तस्कर-
कुलानि, अन्योन्यमभक्षयन्प्रजाः, पर्यलुठन्नितस्ततो बलाकापाण्डुराणि नरशिरःकपालानि, पर्यहिण्डन्त शुष्काः काकमण्डल्यः, शून्यीभूतानि नगरग्रामस्वर्षटपुटभेदनादीनि । त एते गृहपतयः सर्वधान्यनिचयमुप-
युज्यौजाविकं गवलगणं गवां यूथं दासीदासजनमपत्यानि ज्येष्ठ-
मध्यममार्ये च क्रमेण भक्षयित्वा ‘कनिष्ठभार्या धूमिनी श्वो भक्षणीया’ इति समकल्पयन् । अथ कनिष्ठो धन्यकः प्रियां स्वामत्तुमक्षमस्तया सह तस्यामेव निश्यपासरत् । मार्गहान्तां चोद्वहन्वनं जगाहे । स्वमांसासृगपनीतक्षुत्पिपासां तां नयन्नन्तरे कमपि निकृत्तपाणिपादकर्णनासिकमवनिपृष्ठे विचेष्टमानं पुरुष-
मद्राक्षीत् । तमप्यार्द्राशयः स्कन्धेनोद्वहन्कन्दमूलमृगबहुले गह-
नोद्देशे यत्नरचितपर्णशालश्चिरमवसत् । अमुं च रोपितव्रणमिङ्गुदी-

अस्तीति । स्फीतो महान्सारः स्थिराशो धनं च येषाम् । न वर्ष वृष्टिं न चकारे-
त्यर्थः । दशशताक्ष इन्द्रः । ओषध्यः फलपाकान्ताः । खवन्त्यो नद्यः । पल्वला-
न्यल्पसाराणि । उत्समण्डलानि प्रस्रवणमण्डलानि । ‘उत्सः प्रस्रवणं बारिप्रवाहो
निर्धरो धरः ।’ इत्यमरः । बलाकाः बिसकण्टिकाः । पर्यहिण्डन्त पर्यभ्रमन् । ‘हिडि
भ्रमणे’ । अजाश्च अवयश्च तत्समूहोऽजाविकम् । ‘अजाविकटम्’ इति पाठः ।
‘घ्यन्तादजाद्यदन्तं विप्रतिषेधेन’ इत्यजशब्दस्य पूर्वनिपातः । ‘संघाते कटञ्च’
इति सामूहिकापवादः कटञ्च ।—इति भूषणा । गवला महिषाः । यूथं समूहः ।
अक्षमोऽसमर्थः । असुप्रकम् । झुल्लुधा । पिपासा तृट् । निकृत्तं पाणिपादकर्ण-
नासिकं यस्य तम् । गहनोद्देशे वनप्रदेशे । इङ्गुदी । भाषया ‘हिगणबेट’ इति

तैलादिभिरामिषेण शाकेनात्मनिर्विशेषं पुपोष । पुष्टं च तमु-
 द्रिक्तधातुमेकदा मृगान्वेषणाय च प्रयाते धन्यके सा धूमिनी
 रिरंसयोपातिष्ठत् । भर्त्सिताऽपि तेन बलात्कारमरीरमत् । निवृत्तं
 च पतिमुदकाभ्यर्थिनम् ' उद्धृत्य कूपात्पिबै, रुजति मे शिरः शिरो-
 रोगः ' इत्युदञ्चनं सरज्जुं पुरश्चिक्षेप । उदञ्चन्तं च तं कूपा-
 दपः क्षणात्पृष्ठतो गत्वा प्रणुनोद । तं च विक्कलं स्कन्धेनोदुह्य
 देशादेशान्तरं परिभ्रमन्ती पतिव्रताप्रतीतिं लेभे बहुविधाश्च पूजाः ।
 पुनरवन्तिराजानुग्रहादतिमहत्या भूत्या न्यवसत् । अथ पानीया-
 र्थिसार्थजनसमापत्तिदृष्टोद्धृतमवन्तिषु भ्रमन्तमाहारार्थिनं भर्तारमुप-
 लभ्य सा धूमिनी ' येन मे पतिर्विकलीकृतः स दुरात्माऽयम् ' इति
 तस्य साधोश्चित्रवधमज्ञेन राज्ञा समादेशयांचकार । धन्यकस्तु दत्त-
 पश्चाद्दन्धो वध्यभूमिं नीयमानः सशेषत्वादायुषः ' यो मया विकली-
 कृतोऽभिमतो भिक्षुः स चेन्मे पापमाचक्षीत युक्तो मे दण्डः '
 इत्यदीनमधिकृतं जगाद । ' को दोषः ' इत्युपनीय दर्शितेऽमुष्मिन्स
 विकलः पर्यश्रुः पादपतितस्तस्य साधोस्तत्सूकृतमसत्याश्च तस्यास्तथा-
 भूत दुश्चारंतमार्यबुद्धिराचक्ष । कुपितेन राज्ञा विरूपितमुखी सा
 दुष्कृतकारिणी कृता श्रम्यः पाचिका । कृतश्च धन्यकः प्रसादभूमिः ।
 तद्ब्रवीमि—' स्त्रीहृदयं क्रूरम् ' इति ।

प्रसिद्धः । ' इह्नुदी तापसतरुः ' इत्यमरः । आमिषं मांसम् । आत्मनिर्विशेषमात्म-
 तुल्यम् । रिरंसया रन्तुमिच्छया । बलात्कारमिति क्रियाविशेषणम् । अरीरमत्कीडां
 षके । निवृत्तं परावृत्त्यागतम् । उदकाभ्यर्थिनं जलाकाङ्क्षिणम् । रुजति । ' रुज व्यथने ' ।
 व्यथी प्राप्नोतीत्यर्थः । उदञ्चनं जलनिष्कासनपात्रम् । ' उत्येचनं सेकपात्रं तथादञ्च-
 नमित्यपि । ' इति वैजयन्ती । भाषया ' डोल ' इति । सरज्जुं सदोरकम् । पुरोऽग्रे ।
 चिक्षेप त्यक्तवतीत्यर्थः । विक्कलं विह्वलम् । प्रतीतिं ह्यातिम् । भूत्या ऐश्वर्येण ।
 अयेति । पानीयं जलं तदर्थं तत्प्रार्थकः । ० सार्थजनेन समापत्त्या गृह्येच्छया
 दृष्ट्वास्त्रौ उद्धृतश्च तम् । वध्यभूमिं मारणभुवम् । श्रम्यः पाचिका पुटपाककर्त्री ।

पुनरनुयुक्तो गोमिर्नीवृत्तान्तमाख्यातवान्—‘ अस्ति द्रविडेषु काञ्ची नाम नमरी । तस्यामनेककोटिसारः श्रेष्ठपुत्रः, शक्तिकुमारो नामासीत् । सोऽष्टादशवर्षदेशीयश्चिन्तामापेदे—‘ नास्त्यदास्त्विदमननुगुण-दाराणां वा सुखं नाम । तत्कथं नु गुणवद्विन्देयं कलत्रम् ’ इति । अथ परप्रत्ययाहतेषु दारेषु यादृच्छिकीं संपात्तिमनभिसमीक्ष्य कार्तान्तिको नाम मृत्वा वृत्तान्तपिनद्धशालिप्रस्थो मुवं बभ्राम । ‘ लक्षणज्ञोऽयम् ’ इत्यमुष्मै कन्याः कन्यावन्तः प्रदर्शयांबभूवुः । यां कांचिल्लक्षणवतीं सवर्णी कन्यां दृष्ट्वा स किल स्म ब्रवीति—‘ भद्रे शक्तोषि किमनेन शालिप्रस्थेन गुणवदन्नमस्मान्म्यवहारयितुम् ’ इति । स हसितावधूतो गृहाद्गृहं प्रविश्याभ्रमत् । एकदा तु शिबिषु कावेरीतीरपत्तने सह पितृ-भ्यामवसितमहर्द्धिमवशीर्णमवनसारां धात्र्या प्रदर्श्यमानां कांचन विरल-भूषणां कुमारीं ददर्श । अस्यां संसक्तचक्षुश्चातर्कयत्—‘ अस्याः खलु कन्यकायाः सर्व एवावयवा नातिस्थूला नातिकृशा नातिहृस्वा नातिदीर्घा न विकटा मृजावन्तश्च । रक्ततलाङ्गुली यवमत्स्यकमलकल-शाद्यनेकपुण्यलेखालाञ्छितौ करौ, समगुल्फसंधी मांसलावशिरालौ चाङ्घ्री, जङ्घे चानुपूर्ववृत्ते, पविरोरुग्रस्ते इव दुरुपलक्ष्ये जानुनी, संकृद्धिमक्तश्चतु-

प्रसादभूमिः प्रसादास्पदम् । अष्टादशवर्षदेशीयः किंचिद्व्यूनाष्टादशवर्षः । ‘ ईषद-समाप्तौ कल्पवृक्षदेशीयरः ’ । यादृच्छिकीं मभीष्टाम् । संपात्तिमर्थाद्वृणानाम् । ‘ कार्ता-न्तिको लक्षणज्ञः ’ इति वैजयन्ती । शालिस्तण्डुलविशेषः । ‘ कण्डनेन विना श्वेतं हैमन्तं शालि संस्मृतम् ’ इति भावमिश्रः । प्रस्थं मानविशेषः । ‘ माषटक्काक्षवित्त्वानि कुडवः प्रस्थमाढकम् । राशिगोणी खारिकेति यथोत्तरचतुर्गुणम् ॥ ’ इति शार्ङ्ग-धरोक्तेः । शेरचतुष्कपरिमाणमिति यावत् । कन्यावन्तः कन्यापितरः । शिबिषु कावेरीदक्षिणतीरेषु । ‘ त्रिबिर्मह्मथायास्तु दक्षिणं तीर (वर्ष) मिष्यते । ’ इति वैजयन्ती । अवसिता नष्टा महती ऋद्धिर्भूतिर्यस्यास्ताम् । मृजा शुद्धिः तद्वन्तः । यवोऽङ्गुष्ठविरहं चिह्नम् । आदिशब्देनान्यानि शुभविरहाणि सूच्यन्ते । गुल्फं घुटिका । ‘ तदग्रन्थी घुटिके गुल्फौ ’ इत्यमरः । मांसलौ पुष्टौ । अत एव मग्नगुल्फसंधी अत एवादभ्यमानशिरावेष्टितौ—इति भूषणा । अशिरालौ शिरारहितौ । अङ्घ्री चरणौ । पविरो मांसलावूरू तान्यां प्रस्ते । संकृद्धिमक्तः समं विभक्तः । ‘ एकवारे समे संकृत् ’

रत्नः ककुन्दरविभागशोभी रथाङ्गाकारसंस्थितश्च नितम्बभागः, तनुतरमी-
षन्निम्नं गम्भीरं नाभिमण्डलम्, वलित्रयेण चालंकृतमुदरम्, उरोभागन्या-
पिनावुन्मग्नचूचुकौ विशालारम्भशोभिनौ पयोधरौ, धनधान्यपुत्रभूयस्त्वचि-
द्वलेष्वालाञ्छिततले स्निग्धोर्दग्रकोमलनखमणी ऋज्वनपूर्ववृत्तताम्राङ्गुली
संनतांसदेशे सौकुमार्यवत्यौ निमग्नपर्वसंधी च बाहुलते, तन्वी कम्बुवृत्त-
बन्धुरा च कन्धरा, वृत्तमध्यविभक्तरागाधरम् असांसितचारुचिबुकम् आ-
पूर्णकठिनगण्डमण्डलम् असंगतानुवकनीलस्निग्धभ्रूव्रतम् अनतिप्रौढतिल-
कुसुमसदृशनासिकम् असितधवलरक्तत्रिभागभासुरमधुराधरसंचारमन्थ-
रायतेक्षणम् इन्दुशकलसुन्दरललाटम् इन्द्रनीलशिलाकाररम्यालकपङ्क्ति द्वि-
गुणकुण्डलितम्लाननालीकनालललितलम्बश्रवणपाशयुगलमाननकमलम्,
अनतिमङ्गुरो बहुलः पर्यन्तेऽप्यकपिलरुचिरायामवानेकैकानिसर्गसम-
स्निग्धनीलो गन्धग्राही च मूर्धजकलापः । सेयमाकृतिर्न व्यभिचरति शीलम् ।

इत्यजयः । ककुन्दरं नितम्बास्थितकूपकद्वयम् । 'कूपकौ तु नितम्बस्थौ द्वयहीने
ककुन्दरः' । इत्यमरः । रथाङ्गं चक्रम् । संस्थितिर्मर्यादा । तनुतरमति सूक्ष्मम् । चूचुकं
कुचाग्रम् । 'चूचुकं तु कुचाग्रं स्यात्' इत्यमरः । पयोधरौ स्तनौ । पुत्रभूयस्त्वं
पुत्रबाहुव्यम् । निग्धा उदग्राः कोमलाश्च नखमणयो ययोस्ते । अंसः स्कन्धः ।
कम्बुः शङ्खः । 'शङ्खः स्यात्कम्बुरस्त्रियौ' इत्यमरः । कन्धरा ग्रीवा । चिबुकं हनुः ।
त्रिभागे च भासुरे च मधुराधरसंचारे च मन्थरे च आयतं च रक्षणं नेत्रे यस्य ।
इन्दुशकलमर्धचन्द्रः । नालीकं कमलम् । 'नालीकः शरशल्याङ्गेष्वज्जखण्डे नपुंसकम्'
इति मेदिनी । श्रवणः कर्णः । द्वौ गुणौ यस्य तद् द्विगुणं कुण्डलितं च यन्म्लानं
नालीकनालं तद्वल्ललितं लम्बौ च यौ प्रशस्तौ कर्णौ कर्णपाशौ तयोर्युगलं यत्र ।
कपिलरुचिः पिङ्गलरुचिः । न कपिलरुचिरकपिलरुचिः । 'कशरः कपिलः
पिङ्गः' इत्यमरः । आयामो देय्यं तद्वान् । मूर्धजकलापः केशकलापः । 'स्निग्धोन्न-
ताग्रतनुताम्रनखौ कुमार्याः पादौ समोपचितचारुनिगूढगुल्फौ । श्लिष्टाङ्गुली कमल-
कान्तितलौ च यस्यास्तामुद्गृहेयदि भुवोऽधिपातित्वामिच्छेत् । मत्स्याङ्गुशाब्जयववज्र-
ह्लासिचिह्नावस्वेदनौ मृदुतलौ चरणौ प्रशस्तौ । जङ्घे च रोमरहिते विपुले मृक्ते जानु-
द्वयं सममतुल्यमसंधिदेशम् ॥ ऊरू घनौ करिकरप्रतिमावगोमावश्रथपत्रसदृशं विपुलं
च गुह्यम् ॥ विस्तीर्णमासोपचितो नितम्बो गुह्यश्च धत्ते रशनाकलापम् । नाभिर्गभीरा
विपुलाऽङ्गनानां प्रदक्षिणावर्तगता च शस्ता ॥ मध्यं स्त्रियास्त्रिवलनान्तमरोमशं च वृत्तां
घनावविषमौ कठिनावुरःस्थौ । रोमप्रवर्जितमुरो मृदु चाङ्गनानां ग्रीवा च कम्बुनिचिता-

आसज्जति च मे हृदयमस्यामेव । तत्परीक्ष्यैनामुद्रहेयम् । अविमृश्यकारिणा
हि नियतमनेकाः पतन्त्यनुशयपरंपराः । इति स्निग्धदृष्टिराचष्ट—‘ मदे,
कश्चिदस्ति कौशलं शालिप्रस्थेनानेन संपन्नमाहारमस्मानभ्यवहारयितुम् ’
इति । ततस्तया वृद्धदासी साकूतमालोकिता । तस्य हस्तात्प्रस्थमात्रं
धान्यमादार्य कचिदल्बिन्दोद्देशे सुसिक्तसंमृष्टे दत्तपादशौचमुपावेशयत् ।
सा कन्या तान्गन्धशालीनसंक्षुद्य मात्रया विशोष्यातपे मुहुर्मुहुः परि-
वर्त्य स्थिरसमायां भूमौ नालीपृष्ठेन मृदुमृदु वद्वयन्ती तुषैरखण्डैस्तण्डु-
लान्पृथक्चकार । जगाद च धात्रीम्—‘ मातः, एभिस्तुषैरर्थिनो भूषण-
मृजाक्रियाक्षमैः स्वर्णकाराः । तेभ्य इमान्दत्त्वा लब्धभिः काकिणीभिः
स्थिरतरायनन्याद्राणि नातिशुष्काणि काष्ठानि मितंपचां स्थालीमुभे श-
रावे चाहर’ इति । तथाकृते तया तांस्तण्डुलाननंतिनिम्नोत्तानविस्तीर्णकुक्षौ
ककुभोलूखले लोहपत्रबेष्टितमुखेन समशरीरेण विभाव्यमानमध्यतानवेन

अर्थसुखानि धत्ते ॥ बन्धुजीवकुसुमोपमोऽधरो मांसलो रुचिरविश्वरूपधृक् । कुन्दकुन्दमल-
निभाः समा द्विजा योषिता पतिसुखामितार्थदाः ॥ दाक्षिण्ययुक्तमशठं परपुष्टहंसवल्गु-
प्रभाषणमदीनमसौष्ठवं च । नासा समा समपुटा रुचिरप्रशस्ता इङ्गीलनीरजदले
द्युतिहारिणी च ॥ नो संगते नातिपृथू न लम्बे शस्ते भ्रुवौ बालशशोङ्कवके । अर्धेन्दु-
संस्थानमलोमशं च शस्तं ललाटे न तलं न तुङ्गम् ॥ कर्णयुग्ममपि युक्तमांसलं शस्यते
मृदु समं समाहितम् । स्निग्धनीलमृदुकुक्षितलम्बाः मूर्धजाः शुभकराः शिरःस्थिताः ॥
इति वराहमिहिरः । ” इति भूषणा । आसज्जति । सक्तं भवतीत्यर्थः । उद्रहेयम् ।
उद्रहामीत्यर्थः । अनुशयः पश्चात्तापः । ‘ भवेदनुशयो द्वेषे पश्चात्तापानुबन्धयोः ’ इति
विश्वः । अभ्यवहारयितुं भोजयितुम् । साकूतं साभिप्रायम् । ‘ आकूतं स्यादभिप्रायः ’
इति इलायुधः । अलिन्दं देहली । सेति । मात्रयाऽल्पपरिमाणेन । ‘ मात्रा
परिच्छेदे वर्णे मानेऽल्पे ’ इति रत्नमाला । आतपे उष्णे । मृदुमृदु शनैःशनैरित्यर्थः ।
तुषैरिति ‘ पृथग्विनानाना— ’ इति तृतीया । मृजा शुद्धिः । काकिणीभिः कपर्दिकाभिः ।
‘ वराटकानां दशकद्वयं स्यात्सा काकिणी ’ इति भास्कराचार्यः । स्थिरतराणि सारवान्ति ।
मितंपचाम् । ‘ मितनखे च ’ इति खश् । शरावे मृत्पात्रे । ‘ शरावो वर्धमानकः ’
इत्यमरः । विस्तीर्णकुक्षौ बृद्धदुदरे । ‘ नातिनम्नोत्तानविस्तीर्णः कुक्षिर्यस्येत्यर्थः । ’ इति
भूषणा । ककुभो वृक्षविशेषः । ‘ ककुभो भूस्ते वीष्णाप्रसेवे ’ इति महीपः । काष्ठोत्त-
खले इति भावः । विभाव्यमानं संभाव्यमानम् । मध्यतानवं मध्ये कृदात्वम् । तनो-

व्यायतेन गुरुणा खादिरेण मुसलेन चतुरलैलितोत्क्षेपणावक्षेपणायासितभुज-
मसकृदङ्गुलीभिरुद्धृत्योद्धृत्यावहत्य शूर्पशोधितकणकिंशारुकांस्तण्डुलान-
सकृदद्भिः प्रक्षाल्य कथितपञ्चगुणे जले दत्तचुलीपूजा प्राक्षिपत् ।
प्रश्लथावयवेषु प्रस्फुरत्सु तण्डुलेषु मुकुलावस्थामतिवर्तमानेषु संक्षिप्यान-
लमुपहितमुखपिधानया स्थास्याऽन्नमण्डमगालयत् । दर्व्या चावघट्ट्य
मात्रया परिवर्त्य समपक्षेषु सिक्थेषु तां स्थालीमधोमुखीमवातिष्ठिपत् ।
इन्धनान्यन्तःसाराण्यम्भसा समभ्युक्ष्य प्रशमिताग्नीनि कृष्णाङ्गरीकृत्य
तदर्थिभ्यः प्राहिणोत्—‘ एभिर्लब्धाः काकिणीर्दत्त्वा शाकं घृतं दधि
तैलमामलकं चिञ्चाफलं च यथालाभमानय ’ इति । तथाऽनुष्ठिते च
तया द्वित्रानुपदंशानुपपाद्य तदन्नमण्डमार्द्रवालुकोपहितनवशरावगत-
मतिमृदुना तालवृन्तानिलेन शीतलीकृत्य सलवणसंभारं दत्ताङ्गार-
धूपवासं च संपाद्य, तदप्यामलकं श्लक्ष्णपिष्टमुत्पलगन्धि कृत्वा
धात्रीमुखेन स्नानाय तमचोदयत् । तया च स्नानशुद्धया दत्ततैला-
मलकः क्रमेण सन्नौ । स्नातैः सिक्तमृष्टे कुट्टिमे फलकमारुह्य पाण्डु-
हरितस्य त्रिभागशेषलूनस्याङ्गणकदलीपलाशस्योपरि शरावद्वयं दत्त-
मार्द्रमभिमृशन्नतिष्ठत् । सा तु तां पेयामेवाग्रे समुपाहरत् । पीत्वा
चापनीताध्वक्लमः प्रहृष्टः प्रक्लिन्नसकलगात्रः स्थितोऽभूत् । ततस्तस्य
शाल्योदनस्य दर्वीद्वयं दत्त्वा सर्पिर्मात्रां सूपमुपदंशं चोपजहार । इमं च

भावंस्तानवम् । व्यायतेन दीर्घेण । गुरुणा स्थूलेन । अक्षेपणमूर्ध्वीकरणम् । अवक्षेपण-
मधः पातनम् । किंशारम् । ‘ किंशारः सस्यशकं स्यात् ’ इत्यमरः । असकृद्वारंवारम् ।
कथितेति । ‘ कथितं च तत्पञ्चगुणं चेत्यर्थः ’ इति भूषणा । मुकुलावस्था कलिका-
वस्थाम् । अन्नमण्डं भक्तपानीयम् । अवघट्ट्य अवगाह्येत्यर्थः । अन्तःसाराण्युपर्येव
वर्गानि । द्वित्रान्कतिपयान् । उपदंशाञ्चाकादीन् । अचोदयत् प्रेरयामासेत्यर्थः ।
सिक्तमृष्ट आदौ सिक्तः पश्चान्मृष्टः । कुट्टिमं बद्धभूमिकम् । ‘ त्रिषु भागेषु यः शेषो-
ऽग्रिमस्तत्र लूनस्य छिन्नस्येत्यर्थः । ’ इति भूषणा । अङ्गणे या कदली रम्भा तस्याः
पलाशं पत्रं तस्योपरि । अभिमृशन्मृशन् । सा त्विति । पेया ससिक्था ।
‘ मण्डोऽसिक्थः, ससिक्था पेया, परिसिक्था यवागूष्ण, धनसिक्था विलेपी,
परिस्नुतस्त्वोदनो भक्तः ’ इति बागभट्टोक्तेः । ओदनस्य दर्वीद्वयं दत्त्वा । दर्वीद्वय-
मात्रमोदनं दत्त्वेत्यर्थः । सर्पिर्मौत्रम् । अल्पघृतमिति यावत् । सूपं वरात्रम् ।

१ ललितक्षेपणोत्क्षेपणायासित. २ चावगाद्य. ३ पगवृत्त्य. ४ निरुष्णाङ्गरीकृत्य
५ स्नापनः. ६ हरितात्रि. ७ अद्भिः.

दध्ना च त्रिजातकावचूर्णितेन सुरभिशीतलाभ्यां च कालशेयकाञ्जिकाभ्यां
शेषमन्नमोजयत् । सशेष एवान्धस्यसावतृप्यन् । अथाचत च पानीयम् ।
अथ नवभृङ्गारसंभृतमगुरुधूपधूपितमभिनवपाटलाकुसुमवासितमुत्फुल्लो-
त्पलग्रथितसौरभं वारि नालीधारात्मना पातयाम्भव । सोऽपि मुखोपहित-
शरावेण हिमशिशिरकणकरालितारुणायमानाक्षिपक्ष्मा धाराखामिनन्दित-
श्रवणः स्पर्शसुखोद्भिन्नरोमाञ्चकर्कशकपोलः परिमलप्रवालोत्पीडफुल्ल-
प्राणरन्ध्रो माधुर्यप्रकर्षवैर्जितरसनेन्द्रियस्तदच्छं पानीयमाकण्ठं पपौ ।
शिरःकम्पसंज्ञावारिता च पुनरपरकरकेणाचमनमदत्त कन्या । वृद्धया
तु तदुच्छिष्टमपांक्ष्य हरितगोमयोपालिते कुट्टिमे स्वमेवोत्तरीयकर्पटं
व्यवधाय क्षणमशेत । परितुष्टश्च विधिवदुपयम्य कन्यां निन्ये । नीत्वै-
तदनपेक्षः कामपि गणिकामवरोधमकरोत् । तामप्यसौ प्रियसखीमिवो-
पाचरत् । पतिं च दैवतमिव मुक्ततन्द्रा पर्यचरन् । गृहकार्याणि चाहीन-
मन्वतिष्ठत् । परिजनं च दाक्षिण्यनिधिरात्माधीनमकरोत् । तद्रुणवशी-
कृतश्च भर्ता सर्वमेव कुटुम्बं तदायत्तमेव कृत्वा तदेकाधीनजीवितशरीर-
स्त्रिवर्गं निर्विवेश । तद्वर्गीमि—‘गृहिणः प्रियहिताय दारगुणाः’ इति ।

उपदर्शं च शाकादि । त्रिजातकं त्वक्कैलं त्रिकटुं वा । अवचूर्णितेन
विलोडितेन । कालशेयं तक्रम् । ‘दण्डाहतं कालशेयमरिष्टमपि गोरसः ।’ इत्यमरः ।
‘कलाशेषटस्तत्र भवम् ।’ इतिकुक्षिकलशि—‘इति दन्त्र ।’—इति भूषणा । काञ्जिकम् ।
‘आरनालकसौवीरकुल्माषाभिषुतानि च । अवन्तिसोमधान्याम्लकुञ्जलानि च
काञ्जिके ॥’ इत्यमरः । अन्धस्योदने । ‘मिस्सा स्त्रां भक्तमन्धोऽन्नमोदनेऽर्ध्या
यदीदिविः’ इत्यमरः । अथेति । धारात्मना आविरलधारयेत्यर्थः । हिमशिशिर
कणैः कर्गालतानि अरुणायमानानि च अक्षिपक्ष्माणि यस्य । ‘हिमशिशिरेतीन्द्रिय
नृत्तिरुक्ता । उक्तं च माघेऽपि—‘कान्तकान्तवदनप्रतिविम्बं मग्नबालसहकारसुगन्धौ ।
स्वादुनि प्रणदितालिने शीते निर्व्वामं मधुनोन्द्रियवर्गः ॥’—इति भूषणा । माधुर्यस्य
प्रकर्षेण आवर्जितं तर्पितं रशनेन्द्रियं प्राणेन्द्रियं यस्य । आचमनमदत्तेति । अत्र
याज्ञवल्क्यः—‘स्नात्वा गीत्वा क्षुते भुङ्गे भुक्त्वा रथ्योपसपणे । नाचान्तः पुनराचाम-
द्वांसो विपरिधाय च ॥’ इति । हरितगोमयम् । ‘गोश्च पुरीषे’ इति
मयट् । कर्पटं जीर्णवस्त्रम् । मुक्ततन्द्रा त्यक्कालस्या । अहीनमत्यर्थम् । दाक्षिण्यस्य
भावः दाक्षिण्यं तस्य निधिः । तदायत्तं तदधीनम् । त्रिवर्गं धर्मार्थकामान् ।

ततस्तेनानुयुक्तो निम्बवतीवृत्तमाख्यातवान्—‘ अस्ति सौराष्ट्रेषु
बलभी नाम नगरी । तस्यां गृहगुप्तनाम्नो गुह्यकेन्द्रतुस्यविम-
बस्य नाविकपतेर्दुहिता रत्नवती नाम । तां किल मधुमत्याः
समुपागम्य बलभद्रो नाम सार्थवाहपुत्रः पर्यगैषीत् । तथाऽपि नव-
वध्वा रहसि रमसविघ्नितसुरतसुखो झटिति द्वेषमल्पेतरं बबन्ध ।
न तां पुनर्द्रष्टुमिष्टवान् । तद्रूहागमनमपि सुहृद्राक्यशतातिवर्ती
लज्जया परिजहार । तां च दुर्भगां तदाप्रभृत्येव ‘ नेयं रत्नवती
निम्बवती चेयम् ’ इति स्वजनः परजनश्च परिवभूव । गते च कस्मि-
श्चित्काले सा त्वनुतप्यमाना ‘ का मे गतिः ’ इति विमृशन्ती कामपि
वृद्धप्रव्राजिकां मातृस्थानीयां देवशेषकुसुमैरुपस्थितामपश्यत् । तस्याः
पुरो रहसि सकरुणं रुरोद । तथाऽप्युदश्रुमुख्या बहुप्रकारमनुनीय
रुदितकारणं पृष्ट्वा त्रपमाणाऽपि कार्यगौरवात्कथंचिदब्रवीत्—‘ अम्ब
किं ब्रवीमि । दौर्भाग्यं नाम जीवन्मरणमेवाङ्गनानां, विशेषतश्च
कुलवधूनाम् । तस्याहमस्म्युदाहरणभूता । मातृप्रमुखोऽपि ज्ञातिवर्गो
मामवज्ञयैव पश्यति । तेन सुदृष्टां मां कुरु । न चेत्त्यजेयमद्यैव निष्प्र-
योजनान्प्राणान् । आ विरामाच्च मे रहस्यं नाश्राव्यम् ’ इति पादयोः
पपात । सैनामुत्थाप्योद्वाष्पोवाच—‘ वत्से मा अध्यवस्यः साहसम् ।
इयमस्मि त्वन्निदेशवर्तिनी । यावति ममोपयोगस्तव तावति भवाम्यन-
न्याधीना । यद्येवोसि निर्विण्णा तपश्चर त्वं मदधिष्ठिता पारलौकिकाय
कल्याणाय । नन्वयमुदर्कः प्राक्तनस्य दुष्कृतस्य यदनेनाकारणेदृशेन

अस्तीति । गुह्यकेन्द्रः कुबेरः । नाविका नौभिर्जीवन्तीति तथा । मधुमत्या नगर्याः ।
पर्यगैषीत्परिणयनमकरोत् । अल्पेतरं बह्वित्यर्थः । दुर्भगा दुरदृष्टाम् । सा निम्बवती ।
अनुतप्यमानाऽनुतापं प्राप्तवती । प्रव्राजिका संन्यासिनी । देवशेषकुसुमैर्निर्मात्यपुष्पैः ।
तथाऽपि वृद्धप्रव्राजिकया । रुदितं रोदनम् । त्रपमाणा लज्जायती । गौरवात् महत्त्वात् ।
दौर्भाग्यं भर्तृवैमुख्यम् । निष्प्रयोजनानर्किचित्करान् । रहस्यं गोप्यम् । उद्वाष्पोद्गत-
वाष्पा । यावति तावतीति । प्रयोजने इत्यर्थः । परलोके भवं पारलौकिकं
तस्मै पारलौकिकाय । उदर्कः भावि कर्मफलम् । ‘ उदर्कः फलमुत्तरम् ’ इत्यमरः ।

शलिनं जात्या चैवंभूतया समनुगता सत्यकैस्मादेव मर्तृद्वेष्यतां गताऽसि । यदि कश्चिदस्त्युपायः पतिद्रोहप्रतिक्रियायै, दर्शयामुष् । मतिर्हि ते पटीयसी ' इति । अथासौ कथंचित्क्षणमघोमुखी ध्वात्वा दीर्घोष्ण-
श्वासपूर्वमवोचत्—' भगवति पतिरेव दैवतं वनितानाम्, विशेषतश्च कुलजनानाम् । अतस्तच्छ्रुषणाभ्युपायहेतुभूतं किंचिदाचरणीयम् । अस्त्यस्मत्प्रातिवेश्यो वणिक् । अभिजनेन विभवेन राजान्तरङ्गभावेन च सर्वपौरानतीत्य वर्तते । तस्य कन्या कनकवती नाम मत्समानरूपा-
वयवा ममातिस्निग्धा सखी । तया सह तद्विमानहर्म्यतले ततोऽपि द्विगुणमण्डिता विहरिष्यामि । त्वया तु तन्मातृप्रार्थनं सकरुणमभि-
धाय मत्पतिरेतद्वृहं कथंचनानेयः । समीपगतेषु च युष्मासु क्रीडामत्ता नाम कन्दुकं भ्रंशयेयम् । अथ तमादाय तस्य हस्ते दत्त्वा वक्ष्यसि—
' पुत्र, तवेयं मार्यासखी निधिपतिदत्तस्य सर्वश्रेष्ठिमुख्यस्य कन्या कनकवती नाम । त्वामियमनवस्थो निष्करुणश्चेति रत्नवतीनिमित्त-
मत्यर्थं निन्दति । तदेष कन्दुको विपक्षधनं प्रत्यर्पणीयम् ' इति । स तथोक्तो नियतमुन्मुखीभूय तामेव प्रियसखीं मन्यमानो मां, बद्धाञ्जलि
याचमानायै मह्यं भूयस्त्वत्प्रार्थितः सामिलाषमर्पयिष्यति । तेन रन्ध्रे-
णोपश्लिष्य रागमुज्ज्वलीकृत्य यथाऽसौ कृतसंकेतो देशान्तरमादाय मां
गमिष्यति तथोपपादनीयम् ' इति । हर्षाभ्युपेतया चानया तथैव
संपादितम् । अथैतां कनकवतीति वृद्धतापसीविप्रलब्धो बलमद्रः सरत्न-
साराभरणामादाय निशि नीरन्ध्रे तमसि प्रावसत् । सा तु तापसी

आकारेण शरीराकृत्या । सौन्दर्येणेत्यर्थः । जात्या विशिष्टकुलेन । एवंभूतया
स्पृहणीययेत्यर्थः । यदीति । पत्युर्द्रोहः पराङ्मुखता । पटीयस्यतिशयेन पटुः । असौ
निष्कवती । श्रुषूषणं सेवा । प्रातिवेश्यः प्रतिवेशे समीपगृहे भवः । वणिग्वाणिज्यकर्ता ।
अभिजनेन कुलीनतया । विभवेन सामर्थ्येन । राजान्तरङ्गभावेन राज्ञो विश्वाम-
भूमित्वेनेत्यर्थः । अतीत्यातिक्रम्य । मण्डिताऽलंकृता । विमानहर्म्यंति ।
' विमानो व्यामयाने च सप्तभूमिगृहेऽपि च । ' इति कोशः । तन्मातृ-
प्रार्थनं कनकवतीमातृप्रार्थनमिति । मां तामेव प्रियसखीं मन्यमानः ।
बद्धाञ्जलि बद्धः अञ्जलिर्यस्मिन्कर्मणि तद् यथा स्यात्तथा । क्रिया-
विशेषणामिदम् । रन्ध्रेण मिषेण । उपश्लिष्यालिक्रय । उपेत्येत्यर्थः । रागमिच्छाम् ।
उज्ज्वलीकृत्य । प्रकटीकृत्येत्यर्थः । अथेति । नीरन्ध्रे तमसि गाढान्धकारे ।

वार्तामापादयत्—‘ मन्देन मया निर्निमित्तमुपेक्षिता रत्नवती श्वशुरौ च परिभूतौ सुहृदश्चातिवर्तिताः । तदत्रैव संसृष्टो जीवितुं जिह्वेमीति बलभद्रः पूर्वद्युर्मात्मकथयत् । नूनमसौ तेन नीता व्यक्तित्वाचिराद्भविष्यति ’ इति । तच्छ्रुत्वा तद्भान्धवास्तदन्वेषणं प्रति शिथिलयत्नास्तस्थुः । रत्नवती तु मार्गे काञ्चित्पण्यदासीं संगृह्य तयोह्यमानपाथे-
याद्युपस्करा खेटकपुरमगमत् । अमुत्र च व्यवहारकुशलो बलभद्रः स्वरूपेनैव मूलेन महद्वनमुपार्जयत् । पौराग्रगण्यश्चासीत् । परिजनश्च भूयानर्थवशात्समाजगाम । ततस्तां प्रथमदासीं ‘ न कर्म करोषि, दृष्टं मुष्णासि, अप्रियं ब्रवीषि ’ इति परुषमुक्त्वा बह्वताडयत् । चेटी तु प्रसादकालोपाख्यातरहस्यस्य वृत्तान्तैकदेशमात्तरोषा निर्विभेद । तच्छ्रुत्वा तु लुब्धेन दण्डवाहिना पौरवृद्धसंनिधौ ‘ निधिपतिदत्तस्य कन्यां कनकवतीं मोषेणापहृत्यास्मत्पुरे निवसत्येष दुर्मतिर्बलभद्रः । तस्य सर्वस्वहरणं न भवद्भिः प्रतिबन्धनीयम् ’ इति नितरामभर्त्सयत् । भीतं च बलभद्रमभिजगाद रत्नवती—‘ न भेतव्यम् । ब्रूहि—नेयं निधिपतिर्दत्तकन्या कनकवती । वलभ्यामेव गृहगुप्तदुहिता रत्नवती नामेयं दत्ता पितृभ्यां मया च न्यायोढा । न चेत्प्रतीर्थं प्राणिधिं प्रहिणुतास्या बन्धुपार्श्वम् ’ इति । बलभद्रस्तु तथोक्त्वा श्रेणीप्रातिभाव्येन तावदेवातिष्ठद्यावत्तत्पुरलेख्यलब्धवृत्तान्तो गृहगुप्तः खेटकपुरमागत्य सह जामात्रा दुहितरमतिप्रीतः प्रत्यनैषीत् । तथा दृष्ट्वा रत्नवती कनकवतीति भावयतस्तस्यैव बलभद्रस्यातिवल्लभा जाता । तद्भवीमि—
‘ कामो नाम संकल्पः ’ इति ।

अतिवर्तिताः क्रान्ताः । संसृष्टः तया संगतः । दासीं चेटीम् ‘ चेटी चिरप्टी दासी च ’ इति वैजयन्ती । पाथेयं मार्गे भक्षणसामग्री । खेटकपुरमत्पनगरम् । मूलेन मूलधनेन । उपाख्यातरहस्यस्य कथितकनकवत्यपहारवृत्तान्तस्य । लुब्धेन । ‘ लुब्धोऽभिलाषुकस्तृष्णक् ’ इत्यमरः । दण्डवाहिना दण्डाधिकारिणा । न्यायोढा न्यायमार्गेणोढा । परिणीतेत्यर्थः । प्राणिधिः सेवकः । श्रेणीप्रातिभाव्येन वणिजां श्रेणीं प्रतिभूत्याने कृत्वेत्यर्थः ।

तदनन्तरमसौ नितम्बवतीवृन्तान्तमप्राक्षीत् । सोऽहमब्रवम्—‘ अस्ति शूरसेनेषु मथुरा नाम नगरी । तत्र कश्चित्कुलपुत्रः कलासु गणिकासु चातिरक्तः मित्रार्थं स्वभुजमात्रनिर्व्यूढानेककलहः कलहकण्टक इति कर्कशैराभेरुयापताख्यः प्रत्यवात्सीत् । स चेकदा कस्यचिदागन्तो-
श्चित्रकरस्य हस्ते चित्रपटं ददर्श । तत्र काचिदालेख्यगता युवतिरालोक-
मात्रेणैव कलहकण्टकस्य कामातुरं चेतश्चकार । स च तमब्रवीत्—
‘ मद्र विरुद्धमिवैतत्प्रतिभाति । यतः कुलजादुर्लभं वपुः, आभिजात्य-
शंसिनी च नम्रता, पाण्डुरा च मुखच्छविः, अनतिपरिभुक्तसुभगा च तनुः, प्रौढतानुविद्धा च दृष्टिः । न चैषा प्रोषितमर्तृका भ्रवासचिह्नस्यैक-
वेण्यादेरदर्शनात् । लक्ष्म चैतदक्षिणपार्श्ववर्ति । तदियं वृद्धस्य कस्य-
चिद्वणिजो नातिपुंस्त्वस्य यथार्हसंभोगालाभपीडिता गृहिणी त्वयाऽति-
कौशलाद्यथादृष्टमालिखिता भवितुमर्हति ’ इति । स तमभिप्रशस्याशं-
सत्—‘ सत्यमिदम् । अवन्तिपुर्यामुज्जयिन्यामनन्तकीर्तिनाम्नः सार्थ-
वाहस्य भार्या यथार्थनामा नितम्बवती नामैषा सौन्दर्यविस्मितेन मयैवमा-
लिखिता ’ इति । स तदैवोन्मनायमानस्तद्दर्शनाय परिवत्राजोज्जयिनीम् ।
भार्गवो नाम भूत्वा भिक्षानिभेनै तद्गृहं प्रविश्य तां ददर्श । दृष्ट्वा चात्या-
रूढमन्मथो निर्गत्य पौरमुख्येभ्यः श्मशानरक्षामयाचत । अलमत च ।

अस्तीति । शूरसेनेषु देशेषु । कुलपुत्रः शूद्रः । ‘ कुलपुत्रः कुलीने च शूद्रश्च ’ इति
वैजयन्ती । कलासु चतुःषष्टिमितासु । गणिकासु वेश्यासु । स्वभुज एव स्वभुजमात्रं
तेन निर्व्यूढा दृढीकृताः समाप्तिं नाताः अनेके कलहा येन । कर्कशैः पश्यवादिभिः ।
स च कलहकण्टकः । तं चित्रकरम् । मद्रिति । अभिजातस्य भाव आभिजान्यं
कुलीनता । पाण्डुरा शुभ्रा । अनतिपरिभुक्ताऽलम्घातिभोगा । प्रौढतानुविद्धा
प्रौढतासय । वेणी कचयन्धः । ‘ वेणी कचस्य यन्धे स्यान्नदीना मंगमं’ इति
विश्वः । ‘ लक्ष्म नखक्षतरूपं चिह्नम् ’ इति भूषणा । संभोगस्यालाभोऽप्राप्तमेव
पीडिता । उन्मनायमान उन्मनायतेऽसौ तथा । परिवत्राज अगच्छादित्यथः ।
भार्गवो ज्यौतिषिकः । ‘ भार्गवो शुक्रदैवज्ञौ ’ इति वैजयन्ती । निभं ममम् । ‘ निभो
व्याजसदृशयोः ’ इति विश्वः । दृष्ट्वा चेति । अत्यारूढमन्मथोऽतिप्रवृद्धकामः ।

तत्र लब्धैश्च शवावगुण्ठनपटादिभिः कामप्यर्हन्तिकां नाम श्रमणिका-
मुपासांचक्रे । तन्मुखेन च नितम्बवतीमुपांशु मन्त्रयामास । सा चैनं
निर्मर्त्सयन्ती प्रत्याचक्षे । श्रमणिकामुखाच्च दुष्करशीलभ्रंशं कुल-
स्त्रियमुपलभ्य रहसि दूतिकामशिक्षयत्—‘ भूयोऽप्युपतिष्ठ सार्थवाह-
मार्याम् । ब्रूहि चोपहरे, संसारदोषदर्शनात्समाधिमास्थाय मुमुक्षमाणो
मादृशो जनः कुलवधूनां शीलपातने घटत इति क घटते । एतदपि
त्वमत्युदारया समृद्ध्या रूपेणातिमानुषेण प्रथमेन वयसोपपन्नां किमितर-
नारीसुखं चापलं स्पृष्टं न वेति परीक्षा कृता । तुष्टाऽस्मि तवैवमदुष्ट-
भावतया । त्वामिदानीमुत्पन्नापत्यां द्रष्टुमिच्छामि । मर्ता तु भवत्याः
केनचिद्गुहेणाधिष्ठितः पाण्डुरोगदुर्बलो भोगे चासमर्थः स्थितोऽभूत् ।
न च शक्यं तस्य विघ्नमप्रतिकृत्यापत्यमस्माह्वयधुम् । अतः प्रसीद ।
वृक्षवाटिकामेकाकिनी प्रविश्य मदुपनीतस्य कस्यचिन्मन्त्रवादिनश्छिन्न-
मेव हस्ते चरणमर्पयित्वा तदभिमन्त्रितेन प्रणयकुपिता नाम भूत्वा
मर्तारमुरासि प्रहर्तुमर्हसि । उपर्यसावुत्तमधातुपुष्टिर्जितापत्योत्पादन-
क्षमामासादयिष्यति । अनुवर्तिष्यते देवीमिवात्रमवतीम् । नात्र शङ्कन
कार्या ’ इति । सा तथोक्ता व्यक्तमभ्युपैष्यति । नक्तं मां वृक्ष-
वाटिकां प्रवेश्य तामपि प्रवेशयिष्यसि । तावतैव त्वयाऽहमनुगृहीतो
मवेयम् ’ इति । सा तथैवोर्षपादितवती । सोऽतिप्रीतस्त-
स्यामेव क्षपायां वृक्षवाटिकां गतो नितम्बवतीं निर्ग्रन्थिका-

पौरमुख्येभ्यः पौरश्रेष्ठेभ्यः । तत्र स्मशाने । शवावगुण्ठनपटः शववेष्टितवस्त्रम् ।
अर्हन्तिका बौद्धपरिव्राजिकाम् । तन्मुखेन श्रमणिकामुखेन । उपांशु रहसि ।
मन्त्रयामास । भेदयामासेत्यर्थः । भ्रंशं नाशः । घटत ईहते । ‘ घट चेष्टायाम् ’ । क
घटते क संगच्छते । ‘ घट योजने ’ । अतिमानुषेण मानुषमतिक्रम्य वर्तते इति तथा
तेन । प्रथमेन वयसा यौवनेन । अदुष्टभावः सुभावः । पातिव्रत्यादभ्रंश इत्यर्थः । उत्पन्ना-
पत्या जातापत्याम् । भोगे विषयसङ्गे । अप्रतिकृत्य । प्रतीकारमकृत्वेत्यर्थः । वृक्ष-
वाटिकां गृहोपवनम् । ऊर्जितं च तदपत्यमूर्जितापत्यं समाचीनापत्यं तस्योत्पादने क्षम-
समर्थाम् । न पतन्ति पितरोऽनेनेत्यपत्यम् । नक्तं रात्रौ । उपप्राहितवत्यङ्गीकृतवती ।

प्रयत्नेनोपनीतां पादे परामृशन्निव हेमनूपुरमेकर्माक्षिप्य च्छुरिकयोरुमूले
किञ्चिदालिख्य द्रुततरमपासरत् । सा तु सान्द्रत्रासा स्वमेव
दुर्नयं गर्हमाणा जिघांसन्तीव श्रमणिकां तद्व्रणं भवनदीर्घिकायां
प्रक्षाल्य दैत्वा पटबन्धनं सामयापदेशादपरं चापनीय नूपुरं शयन-
परा त्रिचतुराणि दिनान्येकान्ते निन्ये । स धूर्तः ' विक्रेष्ये '
इति तेन नूपुरेण तमनन्तकीर्तिमुपाससाद । स दृष्ट्वा ' मम गृहिण्या एवैष
नूपुरः कथमयमुपलब्धस्त्वया ' इति तमब्रुवाणं निर्वन्धेन पप्रच्छ । स
तु ' वणिग्ग्रामस्याग्रे वक्ष्यामि ' इति स्थितोऽभूत् । पुनरसौ गृहिण्यै
' स्वनूपुरयुगलं प्रेषय ' इति संदिदेश । सा च सलज्जं समाध्वंसं च ' अद्य
रात्रौ विश्रामप्रविष्टायां वृक्षवाटिकायां प्रभ्रष्टो ममैकः प्रशिथिलबन्धो
नूपुरः । सोऽद्याप्यन्विष्टो न दृष्टः । स पुनरयं द्वितीयः ' इत्यपरं प्राहिणोत् ।
अनया च वार्तयाऽमुं पुरस्कृत्य स वणिग्वणिगजनसमाजमाजगाम । स
चानुयुक्तो धूर्तः सविनयमावेदयत्—' विदितमेव खलु वो यथाऽहं
युष्मदाज्ञया पितृवनमभिरक्ष्य तदुपजीवी प्रतिवसामि । लुब्धाश्च
कदाचिन्मद्दर्शनभीरवो निशि दहेयुरपि शवानीति निशास्वपि
श्मशानमधिशये । अपरेद्युर्दग्धादग्धं मृतकं चितायाः प्रसममा-
कर्षन्तीं श्यामाकारां नारीमपश्यम् । अर्थलोभात्तु निगृह्य धैर्यं
सा संगृहीता । शस्त्रिकयोरुमूलं यदृच्छया किञ्चिदुल्लिखितम् ।
एष च नूपुरश्चरणादाक्षिप्तः । तावत्येव द्रुतगतिः सा पलायिष्ट ।
सोऽयमस्यागमः । परं भवन्तः प्रमाणम् ' इति । विमर्शे च तस्याः

निर्ग्रन्थिका भिक्षुकी श्रमणिका । सान्द्रत्रासा निबिडभया । पटबन्धनं वस्त्रबन्धनम् ।
सामयापदेशाद् रगतामपदिश्य । गृहिणी स्त्री । नूपुरः पादभूषणम् ।
' मज्जीरो नूपुरोऽस्त्रियाम् ' इत्यमरः । वणिग्ग्रामस्य वणिजां समूहस्य । प्रशिथिल-
बन्धः श्लथबन्धः । न दृष्टो न लब्ध इत्यर्थः । पितृवनं श्मशानम् । तदुपजीवी
श्मशानजीवी । मद्दर्शनभीरवो मद्दर्शनभयशीलाः । दहेयुरपीत्यत्र अपिः संभावयानाम् ।
दग्धं ज्वलितम् । मृतकं शवम् । चितायाः । चितामध्यादित्यर्थः । प्रसभं बलात् । विमर्शे

शाकिनीत्वमैकमत्येन पौराणामभिमतमासीत् । भर्त्रा च परित्यक्ता तस्मिन्नेव श्मशाने बहु विलप्य पाशेनोद्ध्वय मर्तुकामा तेन धूर्तेन नक्तमगृह्यत । अनुनीता च—‘ सुन्दरि त्वदाकारोन्मादितेन मया त्वदावर्जने बहुनुपायान्भिक्षुकीमुखेनोपन्यस्य तेष्वसिद्धेषु पुनरयमुपायो यावज्जीवमसाधारणीकृत्य रन्तुमाचरितः । तत्प्रसीदानन्यशरणायास्मै दासजनाय ’ इति मुहुर्मुहुश्चरणयोर्निपत्य प्रयुज्य सान्त्वशतानि तामगत्यन्तरामात्मवश्यामकरोत् । तदिदमुक्तम्—‘ दुष्करसाधनं प्रज्ञा ’ इति ।

स चेदमाकर्ण्य ब्रह्मराक्षसो मामपूजत् । अस्मिन्नेव क्षणे नातिप्रौढ-पुंनागमुकुलस्थूलानि मुक्ताफलानि सह सलिलबिन्दुभिरम्बरतलादपतन् । अहं तु ‘ किं निन्दम् ’ इत्युच्चक्षुरालोकयन्कमपि राक्षसं कांचिदङ्गनां विचेष्टमानगात्रीमाकर्षन्तमपश्यम् । कथमपहरत्यकामामपि स्त्रियमनाचारो नैर्ऋतः इति गगनगमनमन्दशक्तिरशस्त्रश्चातप्ये । स तु मत्संबन्धी ब्रह्मराक्षसः ‘ तिष्ठ तिष्ठ पाप, कापहरसि ’ इति मत्संयन्तु-त्थाय राक्षसेन समसृज्यत । तां तु रोषादनेपेक्षापविद्धाममरवृक्षमञ्जरी-मिवान्तरिक्षादपतन्तीमुमुखप्रसारितोभयकरः कराभ्यामग्रहीषम् । उपगृह्य च वेपमानां संमीलिताक्षीं मदङ्गस्पर्शमुखेनोद्भिन्नरोमाञ्चा तादृशीमेव तामनवतारयन्नतिष्ठम् । तावत्तावुभावपि शैलशृम्भङ्गङ्गैः पादपैश्च रमसोन्मूलितैर्मुष्टिपादप्रहारैश्च परस्परमक्षपयेताम् । पुनरहमतिमृदुनि पुलिनवति कुसुमलवलाञ्छिते सरस्तीरवरोप्य सस्पृह

मिथो विचारे । शाकिनीत्वं पिशाचदैवतत्वम् । ऐक्यत्येन विसंवादाभावेन । पौराणां नागरिकाणाम् । त्वदावर्जने त्वत्संमुखीकरणे । यावज्जीवं रन्तुमिति संयन्धः । अगत्यन्तरां न विद्यते गत्यन्तरं यस्यास्ताम् । आत्मवश्यामात्माधीनाम् । स चेदमिति । पुंनागो वकुलः । उच्चक्षुरालोकनेत्रः । विचेष्टमानगात्रीमात्ममोचनार्थं स्वाङ्गैश्चेष्टमानाम् । नैर्ऋतो राक्षसः । अतप्ये तापमापम् । अनेपेक्षापविद्धामेवं त्यक्ता चेन्नश्येदित्यपेक्षाया अभावेन त्यक्ताम् । अमरवृक्षः कल्पद्रुमः । अन्तरिक्षादाकाशात् । वेपमानां कम्पमानाम् । उद्भिन्ना रोमाञ्चा यस्याः सा उद्भिन्नरोमाञ्चा उद्गतसात्त्विकभावा ताम् । तावुभौ राक्षस-ब्रह्मराक्षसौ । पुलिनं तोयोत्थितो देशः । कुसुमलवलाञ्छिते पुष्पलेशचिह्निते ।

निर्वर्णयंस्तां मत्प्राणैकवल्लभां राजकन्यां कन्दुकावतीमलक्षयम् । सा हि मया समाश्रास्यमाना तिर्यङ् मामभिनिरूप्य जीतप्रत्यभिज्ञा सकरुण-मरोदीत् । अवादीच्च—‘ नाथ त्वद्दर्शनादुपोढरागा तस्मिन्कन्दुको-त्सवे पुनः सख्या चन्द्रसेनया त्वत्कथाभिरेव समाश्रासिताऽस्मि । त्वं किल समुद्रमध्ये मज्जितः पापेन मद्भात्रा भीमघन्वना इति श्रुत्वा सखीजनं परिजनं च वञ्चयित्वा जीवितं जिहासुरेकाकिनी क्रीडावनमुपागमम् । तत्र च मामचक्रमत् कामरूप एष राक्षसाधमः । सोऽयं मया भीतया-ऽवधूतप्राथनः स्फुरन्तां मा निगृह्याभ्यधावत् । अत्रैवमवासेतोऽभूत् अहं च दैवात्तवैव जीवितेशस्य हस्ते पतिता । भद्रं तव ’ इति । श्रुत्वा च तया सहावरुह्य नावमध्यारोहम् । मुक्ता च नौः प्रतिवात-प्रेरिता तामव दामालिप्ता प्रत्युपातंष्टत् । अवरूढाश्च वयमश्रमेण । ‘ तनयस्य च तनयायाश्च नाशादनन्यापत्यस्तुङ्गघन्वा सुहृपतिर्निष्कलः स्वयं सकलत्र एव निष्कलङ्कगङ्गारोधस्यनशनेनोपरन्तुं प्रतिष्ठते । सह तेन मर्तुमिच्छत्यनन्यनाथोऽनुरक्तः पौरवृद्धलोकः । ’ इत्यश्रुमस्तीनां प्रजानामाकन्दमशृणुम् । अथाहमस्मै राज्ञे यथावृत्तमारुयाय तदपत्य-द्वयं प्रत्यर्पितवान् । प्रीतेन तेन जामाता कृतोऽस्मि दामलिप्तेश्वरेण । तत्पुत्रो मदनुजीवी जातः । मदाज्ञसेन चामुना प्राणवदुज्झिता चन्द्रसेना कोशदासमभजत् । ततश्च सिंहवर्मसाहाय्यार्थमत्रागत्य मर्तुस्तव दर्शनोत्सवसुखमनुभवामि ’ इति ।

श्रुत्वा ‘ चित्रेय दैवगतिः । अवसरेषु पुष्कलः पुरुषकारः । ’ इत्यभिधाय भूयः स्मिताभिषिक्तदन्तच्छ्रद्धो मन्त्रगुप्ते हर्षोत्फुल्लं चक्षुः

प्रत्यभिज्ञा पूर्वदृष्टत्वम् । उपोढरागा प्ररूढमन्मथा । मामचमकत् मय्यभिलाषं बबन्ध । अवसितो मृत्युं प्राप्तः । जीवितेशः प्रियः । ‘ जीवितेशः प्रिये यमे ’ इति कोशः । भद्रं करुणाणम् । निष्कलो वृद्धः । ‘ निष्कलः स्थविरः समौ ’ इति वैजयन्ती । निष्कलङ्कं पुण्यम् । उपरन्तुं मरणं संपादयितुम् । पुष्कला महान् । पुरुषकारः पुरुषार्थः । स्मितेन हास्येन अभिषिक्तः सिञ्चितो व्याप्त इति यावत् दन्तच्छ्रद्ध ओष्ठो यस्य सः ।

पातयामास देवो राजवाहनः । स किल करकमलेन किञ्चित्संवृता-
ननो ललितवल्लभारमसदत्तदन्तक्षतव्यसनविह्वलाधरमणिर्निरोष्ठचवर्णमा-
त्मचरितमाचक्षे—

इति श्रीदण्डिनः कृतौ दशकुमारचरिते भिन्नगुप्तचरितं नाम षष्ठ उच्छ्वासः ।

सप्तमोच्छ्वासः ।

राजाधिराजनन्दन नगरन्ध्रगतस्य ते गतिं ज्ञास्यन्नहं च गतः
कैदाचित्कलिङ्गान् । कलिङ्गनगरस्य नात्यासन्नसंस्थितजनदाह-
स्थानसंसक्तस्य ' कस्यचित्कान्तारधरणिजस्यास्तीर्णसरसकिसलयसंस्तरे
तले निषद्य निद्रालीढदृष्टिरशायिषि । गलति च कालरात्रिशिखण्ड-
जालकान्धकारे चलितरक्षसि क्षरितनीहारे निजनिलयनिलीननिः-
शेषजने नितान्तशीते निशीथे घनतरसालशाखान्तरालनिर्हादि'
नेत्रनिषिनीं निद्रां निगृह्णैत् कर्णदेशं गतं ' कथं खल्वनानेन दग्धसिद्धेन
रिरंसाकाले निदेशं दिस्सता जन एष रागेणानर्गलेनार्दित इत्थं खिली-
कृतः । क्रियेतास्याणकनरेन्द्रस्य केनचिदनन्तशक्तिना सिद्धचन्तरायः '

ललिता या वल्लभा तया रम्येन दत्तानि दन्तक्षतानि एव व्यसनं यद्वा
तेभ्यो व्यसनं तेन विह्वलः अधरमणिर्यस्य । नितोष्ठचवर्णमोष्ठचरितवर्णरहितम् ॥

इति श्रीदशकुमारचरितटीकायां षष्ठ उच्छ्वासः ।

इदानीं मन्त्रगुप्तः स्वचरितं वक्तुमुपक्रमते—राजेति । अत्रौष्ठवावर्णाभावरूपं
चित्रं कविना साधितम् । अत्यासन्नमतिसमीपम् । संस्थितो मृतः । ' परेतप्रतसंक्षिपताः '
इत्यमरः । ' कान्तारं वर्त्म दुर्गमम् ' इत्यमरः । धरणिजो वृक्षः । सरसमाद्रम् । आलीढा
ध्याता । शिखण्डजालकं केशप्रमूहः । कालरात्र्याः शिखण्डजालकमिव अन्धकार-
स्तस्मिन् । चलितरक्षसि त्यनेन रात्रिचरत्वद्योतनम् । क्षरितनीहारे निःसृतहिमे ।
निलयं गृहम् । निलीनाः स्थिताः । साला एतदाख्या वृक्षाः । घनतराणां
निषिडानां सालशाखानामन्तरालानि तेषु निर्हादि इति रटितमित्यस्य विशेष-
णम् । ' निर्हादिनि ' इति पाठे निशीथे इत्यस्य विशेषणम् । नेत्रनिषिनीं
नेत्रस्पर्शिनीम् । ' णिसि चुम्बने ' । दग्धसिद्धेन सिद्धहतकेन । रिरंसा रन्तुमिच्छा ।
अनर्गलेनाप्रतिबन्धेन । खिलीकृतः प्रतिहृतः । क्रियेत कर्मणि संभावनायां लिङ् ।
अणकः कुरित्तः । ' पापाणके कुरित्तः ' इति । नरेन्द्रो मन्त्रज्ञः । दिदक्षा द्रष्टुमिच्छा ।

१ तदा, २ चरित, ३ निशान्त, ४ निर्हादिनि, ५ निगृह्य, ६ नरेन्द्रेण, ७ खलीकृतः

इति किंकरस्य किंकर्याश्चातिकतरं रटितं । तदाकण्यं ' क एषः सिद्धः का च सिद्धिः किं चानेन किंकरेण करिष्यते ' इति दिदृक्षाक्रान्तहृदयः किंकरगतया दिशा किंचिदन्तरं गतस्तरलतरनरास्थिशकलरचितालंकारा-
क्रान्तकायं दहनदग्धकण्ठाणिष्ठाङ्गाररजःकृताङ्गरागं तडिल्लिताकारजटाधरं
हिरण्यरेतस्यरप्यचक्रान्धकारराक्षसे क्षणक्षणगृहीतनानेन्धनप्रासचञ्चद-
र्चिषि दक्षिणेतरेण कोरेण तिलसिद्धार्थकादीन्निरन्तरचटचटायितानाकिरन्तं
कंचिदद्राक्षं । तस्याग्रे स कृताञ्जलिः किंकरः ' किं करणीयं, दीयतां
निदेशः ' इत्यतिष्ठत् । आदिष्टश्चायं तेनातिनिकृष्टाशयेन— ' गच्छ
कलिङ्गराजस्य कर्दनस्य कन्यां कनकलेखां कन्यागृहादिहानय ' इति । स
च तथाऽङ्कार्पीत् । ततश्च तां त्रासेनालधीयसाऽस्रजर्जरेण च कण्ठेन
रणरणिकागृहीतेन च हृदयेन ' हा तात हा जननि ' इति क्रन्दन्ती
कीर्णग्लानशेखरस्त्राणि शीर्णनहने शिरसिजानां संचये निगृह्यासिना
शिलाशितेन शिरश्चिकर्तिषयाऽचेष्टत । झटिति चाच्छिद्य तस्य हस्तौ-
त्तां शस्त्रिकां तथा निकृत्य तच्छिरः सजटाजालं निकटस्थस्य

तरलतराण्यत्युज्ज्वलानि । ' तरलो हाररत्ने च चञ्चले चोउज्ज्वलेऽपि च । ' इति
केशवः । नरास्थि मनुष्यास्थि । शकलं खण्डम् । अलंकार आभरणम् । निष्ठाङ्गार-
रजः । भस्मेत्यर्थः । ' निष्ठा निष्पत्तिनाशान्ताः ' इति कोशः । तडिल्लिता विद्युल्लता ।
हिरण्यरेतसि बह्वौ । ' हिरण्यरेता हुदभुक् ' इत्यमरः । अरण्यचक्रे योऽन्धकारस्तस्य
राक्षसे विनाशके इत्यर्थः । क्षणक्षणगृहीतानि यानि नानाविध नीन्धनानि कण्ठानि तेषां
प्रासेन चञ्चन्त्यः अर्चिषो ज्वाला यस्य तास्मिन् । दक्षिणेतरेण । वामेनेत्यर्थः । आकि-
रन्तं क्षिपन्तम् । अद्राक्षम् । दृष्टवानित्यर्थः । तस्येति होमकर्तुः । निदेश आज्ञा ।
अतिनिकृष्टो अतिनीचः आशयो मनो यस्येति तेन । कर्दन इति कलिङ्गराजनाम ।
अस्रजर्जरेणाश्रुक्लिप्तेन । ' अस्रः कोणे शिरसिजे चास्रमश्राण शोणिते । ' इति विश्वः ।
रणरणिकौत्सुक्यम् । ' औत्सुक्यं रणरणिका ' इति महीपः । हृदयनेत्युपलक्षणे तृतीया ।
शीर्णनहने श्लयबन्धने । संचयः समूहः । असिना खड्गेन । शिलाशितेन शाणतोजितेन ।
शिलाशितेनेनि पाठे शिलावदसितः श्यामस्तेन । शिरश्चिकर्तिषया शिरःकर्तनेच्छया ।
झटिति क्षिप्रम् । आच्छिद्यापकृष्य । ' आच्छेदनं स्यादक्षेपः ' इति वररुचिः ।
तथा शस्त्रिकया । तच्छिरः । होमकर्तुर्मस्तकमित्यर्थः । निकटस्थस्य समीपवर्तिनः ।

कस्यचिज्जीर्णसालस्य स्कन्धरन्ध्रे न्यैषिषि । तन्निध्याय हृष्टतरः स
 राक्षसः क्षीणाधिरकथयत्—‘आर्य कदर्यस्यास्य कदर्थनान्न कदाचिन्निद्रा-
 ऽऽयाति नेत्रे । तर्जयति त्रासयति च अकृत्ये चाज्ञां ददाति । तदत्र
 कल्याणराशिना साधीयः कृतं यदेष नरकाकः कारणानां नारकीणां
 रसज्ञानाय नीतैः शीतेतरदीधितिदेहजस्य नगरं । तदत्र दयानिधेरनन्त-
 तेजसस्तेऽयं जनः कांचिदाज्ञां चिकीर्षति । आदिश अलं कालहरणेन ’
 इत्यनंसीत् । आदिशं च तं—‘सखे सैषा सज्जनाचरिता सरणिर्यदणी-
 यसि कारणेऽनणीयानादरः संदृश्यते । न चेदिदं नेच्छसि सेयं संनता-
 ङ्गयष्टिरक्लेशार्हा सत्यनेनाकृत्यकारिणाऽत्यर्थं क्लेशिता तन्नयैनां निज-
 निलयं नान्यदितः किंचिदस्ति चित्ताराधनं नः ’ इति । अथ तदाकर्ण्य
 कर्णशेखरनीलैनीरजायितां धीरतैरतारकां दृशं तिर्यक्किंचिदञ्चितां संचा-
 रयन्ती सलिलचरकेतनशरासनानतां चिल्लिकालता ललाटरङ्गस्थली-
 नर्तकीं लीलालसं लांसयन्ती कण्टकितरक्तगण्डलेखा रागलज्जान्तराल-

जीर्णसालस्य जीर्णवृक्षस्य । न्यदधां निवेशितवान् । निध्याय आलोक्य । क्षीणाधिर्गतमा-
 नसव्यथः । कदर्यस्य कृपणस्य । ‘कदर्थे कृपणक्षुद्रकिंपचानमितंपचाः ।’ इत्यमरः । कदर्थ-
 नाक्लेशनात् । ‘क्लेशनं तु कदर्थनम्’ इति कोशः । अकृत्येऽपकारे । [कुत्सितकृत्ये ।]
 साधीयौऽतिशयेन साध्विति तथा । नरकाको मनुष्यनिन्द्यः । कारणानां यातनानाम् ।
 नारकीणां नरकसंवन्धिनीनाम् । शीतेतरदीधितिः सूर्यस्तद्देहजस्य । यमस्येत्यर्थः ।
 अयं जनो मदूपः । कालहरणेन कालातपातेन । अनंसीत् ननाम । ‘णम प्रहृत्वे ’ ।
 आदिशमिति । सरणिः पद्धतिः । ‘सरणिः पद्धतिः पथा वर्तन्येकपदीति च ’
 इत्यमरः । अगीयस्यत्वे । इदं मदुक्तम् । ‘अणीयसि कारणेऽनणीयानादर इति
 नेच्छसीत्यर्थः ’ इति भूषणा । संनता नम्रा । अकृत्यकारिणाऽसमीचीनकारकेण ।
 नय प्रापय । निजनिलयं स्वगृहम् । कर्णशेखरे कर्णेच्चप्रदेशे । निलीनं लग्नम् ।
 नीलनीरजं नीलोत्पलम् । धीरा निश्चला । तिर्यग्वक्त्रम् । सलिलचरो जलचरो मत्स्यः
 केतनमस्येति । मदनस्येत्यर्थः । शरासनं धनुस्तद्वदानतां वक्त्रम् । चिल्लिकालतां झूलता-
 वल्लीम् । ललाटमेव रङ्गस्थली तत्र नर्तकीम् । लीलालसं लीलासौम्यम् । ‘अलसं मन्द-
 सौम्ययोः’ इत्यजयः । लासयन्ती नर्तयन्ती । कण्टका रोमाद्या अस्याः संजाता इति कण्ट-

चारिणी चरणग्रेण तिरश्चीननखाचिश्चन्द्रिकेण धरणीतलं साचीकृतानन-
सरसिजं लिखन्ती दन्तच्छदकिसलयलङ्घिना हर्षास्त्रसलिलधाराशीकर-
कणजालक्लेदितस्य स्तनतटचन्दनस्यार्द्रतां निरस्यताऽऽस्यान्तराल-
निःसृतेन तनीयसाऽनिलेन हृदयलक्ष्यदलनदक्षरतिसहचरशरस्यदायितेन
तरङ्गितदशनचन्द्रिकाणि कानिचिदेतान्यक्षराणि कलकण्ठीकलान्यसृ-
जत्—‘आर्य केन कारणेनैनं दासजनं कालहस्तादाच्छिद्यान्तरं
रागानिलचालितरणरणिकातरङ्गिण्यनङ्गसागरे किरसि । यथा ते चरण-
सरसिजरजःकणिका तथाऽहं चिन्तनीया । यद्यस्ति दया तेऽत्र जने
अनन्यसाधारणः करणीयः स एष चरणाराधनक्रियायां । यदि च
कन्यागाराध्यासने रहस्यक्षरणादनर्थ आशङ्क्येत नैतदस्ति । रक्त-
तरा हि नस्तत्र सख्यश्चेत्यश्च । यथा न कश्चिदेतज्ज्ञास्यति तथा
यतिष्यन्ते ’ इति । स चाहं देहजेनाकर्णाकृष्टसायकासनेन चेतस्यति-
निर्दयं ताडितस्तत्कटाक्षकालायसनिगडगाढसंयतः किंकरानननिहित-
दृष्टिरगादिषं—‘यथेयं रथचरणजघना कथयति तथा चेन्नाचरेयं

किता । गण्डलेखा गण्डपाली । राग इच्छा । लज्जा व्रीडा । तयोरन्तरालं मध्यस्तत्र
चारिणी वर्तमाना । तिरश्चीनो वक्रो नखस्तस्याचिरेव चन्द्रिका यस्येति स तथा
तेन । साचीकृतं वकीकृतमाननसरसिजं वक्त्रकमलं यस्मिन्कर्मणि तथा । दन्तच्छद-
किसलयमोष्ठपल्लवं लङ्घयतीति लङ्घी तेन । क्लेदितं विकलीकृतम् । आस्यान्तरालं
मुखमध्यः । तनीयसा मन्देन । अनिलेन वायुना । हृदयमेव लक्ष्यं वेध्यम् ।
दलनं भेदनम् । दक्षिणः सरलः । ‘ दक्षिणे सरलोदारौ ’ इत्यमरः । रतिसहचरो
मदनस्तस्य शरो बाणः । स्यदायितेन जवायितेन । ‘ स्यदो जवे ’ इति निपातः ।
तद्वाचरति स तथा तेन । तरङ्गिता तरङ्गं प्राप्ता । एतानि वक्ष्यमाणानि ।
कलकण्ठी कोकिला । कलानि मधुराणि । आर्ययति । एनं दासजनम् ।
मदूपमित्यर्थः । कालहस्तायमहस्तात् । रागानिल इच्छावायुः । रणरणिका व्याकु-
लता सैव तरङ्गा यस्मिन्निति । अनङ्गसागरे मदनसमुद्रे । चरणसरसिजं पादपद्मम् ।
अत्र जने मत्स्वरूपे । नान्यसाधारणोऽनन्यसाधारणः । अत्युच्चैरित्यर्थः । रहस्यं
गोप्यम् । क्षरणमन्यत्र प्रकटीभावः । स चाहमिति । मन्त्रगुप्त इत्यर्थः । देहजेन
मदनेन । सायकासनं धनुः । कालायसं लोहम् । निगडं शृङ्गलादि । रथचरणं

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५ चालित, ६ आशङ्क्यते. ७ यतिष्ये.

नयेत नक्रकेतनः क्षणेनैकेर्नाकीर्तनीयां दशां । जनं चैनं सह नया-
नया कन्यया कन्यागृहं हरिणनयनया ' इति । नीतश्चाहं निशा-
चरेण शारदजलधरजालकान्ति कन्यकानिकेतनं । तत्र च कांचित्काल-
कला चन्द्राननानिदेशाच्चन्द्रशालैकदेशे तद्दर्शनचलितधृतिरतिष्ठं ।
सा च स्वच्छन्दं शयानाः करतलालससंघट्टनापनीतनिद्राः काश्चिदधि-
गतार्थाः सखीरकार्षीत् । अथागत्य ताश्चरणनिहितशिरसः क्षरदल-
करालितेक्षणा निजशेखरकेसराग्रसंलग्नषट्चरणगणरणितसंशयितकल-
गिरः शनैरकथयन्—' आर्य यदत्यादित्यतेजसस्त एषा नयन-
लक्ष्यतां गता ततः कृतान्तेन न गृहीता । दत्ता चेयं चित्तजेन गरीयसा
साक्षीकृत्य रागानलं । तदनेनाश्चर्यरत्नेन नलिनाक्षस्य ते रत्नशैल-
शिलातलस्थिरं रागतरलेनालंक्रियतां हृदयं । तदस्याश्चरितार्थं स्तनतटं
गाढालिङ्गनैः सदृशतरस्य सहचरस्य ' इति । ततः सखीजनेनाति-
दक्षिणेन दृढतरीकृतस्नेहनिगलस्तया संनताङ्ग्या संगत्यारंसि ।

अथ कदाचिदायासितजायारहितचेतासि लालसालिलङ्घनग्लानघन-

चक्रम् । नक्रकेतनः कामः । अकीर्तनीयामवचनीयाम् । दशामवस्थाम् । एनं जनं
मदूपम् । हरिणनयनया मृगलोचनया । नीतश्चेति । शारदजलधरः शरन्मेषः ।
निकेतनं गृहम् । कालकलां कालस्य समयस्य कलां लेशम् । चन्द्रशालोर्ध्वगृहम् ।
' चन्द्रशाला शिगेगृहम् ' इत्यमरः । करतलेनालसं यत्पङ्घटनं तेनापनीता निद्रा
यावाम् । अथेति । क्षरता निःसरताऽस्त्रेणाध्रुणा करालितानि विवृतानीक्षणानि यासां
ताः । षट्चरणा भ्रमराः । रणितं शब्दितम् । अत्यादित्यतेजसोऽतिक्रान्तमादित्यस्य
तेजो येनेति । नयनलक्ष्यतां नेत्रग्राह्यताम् । ततस्तस्मात्कारणात् । कृतान्तेन यमेन ।
चित्तजेन कामेन । रागानल इच्छामिः । आश्चर्यरत्नेनाश्चर्यभ्रष्टेन । नलिनाक्षस्य
कमलनेत्रस्य । रत्नशैलो मेढः । रागेन रक्तप्रभया तरलं विद्योतमानम् । पक्षे
रागेणानुरागेण चञ्चलम् । चरितार्थं कृतार्थम् । दक्षिणेन सरलेन । धनताङ्ग्या ।
कुचभारादित्यर्थः । अरंसि क्रीडां कृतवान् । अथेति । कलिङ्गराजः कर्दननामा
सागरतीरकानने श्रीढारसजातासक्तिराभीदित्यन्वयः । किंविधे कानने । आयासितानि
जायागहितानाम् । विरहिणामित्यर्थः । चेतांसि यत्र । लालसा लुब्धाः
अल्यो भ्रमरास्तेषां लङ्घनं घट्टनं तेन ग्लानानि धनकेसराणि निविडपुनाग-
कुसुमानि यस्मिन् । 'पुनागे पुरुषस्तुङ्गः केसरो देववल्लभः ।' इत्यमरः । अथ वा

केसरे राजदरप्यस्थलीललाटलीलायिततिलके ललितानङ्गराजाङ्गीकृत-
निर्निद्राकर्णिकारकाञ्चनच्छत्रे दक्षिणदहनसारथिरमौहृतसहकारचैश्व-
रीककलिके कालाण्डजकण्ठरागरक्तरक्ताधरातिरणाग्रसंनाहशालिनि
शालीनकन्यकान्तःकरणसंकान्तरागलङ्घितलज्जे दर्दुरगिरितटचन्दना-
श्लेषशीतलानिलाचार्यदत्तनानालतानृतलीले काले कलिङ्गराजः सहा-
ङ्गनाजनेन सह च तनयया सकलेन च नगरजनेन दश त्रीणि च
दिनानि दिनकरकिरणनालालङ्घनीये रणदलिसंपलङ्घितनतलताग्रकिस-
ल्यालीढसैकततटे त लतरङ्गशीकरासारसङ्गशीतले सागरतीरकानने
क्रीडारसजातासक्तिरासीत् । अथ संततगीतसंगीतसंगीताङ्गनासहस्र-
शृङ्गारहेलानिरर्गलानङ्गसंपर्षहर्षितश्च रागतृणैकतन्त्रस्तत्र रन्ध्रे
आन्ध्रनाथेन जयसिंहेन सलिलतरणसाधनानीतेनानेकसंख्येनानीकेन
द्रागागत्यागृह्यत सकलत्रः । सा चानीयत त्रासतरलाक्षी दयिता

घनकेसरे निबिडशकुले । 'अथ केसरे बकुलः' इत्यमरः । लीलायिततिलके
शोभायितक्षुरके । 'तिलकः क्षुरकः श्रीमान्' इत्यमरः । ललितोऽनङ्गराजो
मदनराजः । निर्निद्राः धिक्सिताः । दक्षिणो दहनसारथिर्मलयानिलः । रयो वेगः ।
सहकारा आश्रवृक्षाः । चञ्चरीका भ्रमराः । कलिकाः कोरकाः । कालाण्डजः
कोकिलः । 'वनप्रियः परभृतः पिकः कालाण्डजः स्मृतः ।' इति वैजयन्ती ।
रक्तरक्ताधराः स्निग्धाः स्त्रियः । 'किंनरस्त्रियः' इति भूषणा । शालीनः अपृष्टः ।
'शालीनकौपीने अवृष्टाकार्ययोः' इति निपातः । दर्दुरं ग्रामजालम् । 'दर्दुरा
चण्डिकायां च ग्रामजाले तु दर्दुरम् ।' इति विश्वः । अथ वा दर्दुरवद्वाद्यभाण्डवद्य-
त्रिरितम् । 'दर्दुरस्तोयदे मेके वाद्यभाण्डाद्रिमेदयोः ।' इति मेदिनी । अलङ्घनीये
दुर्लङ्घ्ये । रणन्तः शब्दं कुर्वन्तः । अल्यो भ्रमराः । संधः समूहः । लताग्रकिसल्यानि
वल्ग्वप्रपल्लवानि । सैकतं सिकतामयम् । रणन्तो ये अलिसंधा भ्रमरसमूहास्तेर्लङ्घिता
अत एव नता या लतास्तासामग्रकिसलयैः आलीढं स्पृष्टं सैकततटं यत्र ।
सागरतीरकानने समुद्रतटवने । अथेति । शृङ्गारहेला क्रियानादरः । 'हेला
लीलेत्यमी हावाः क्रियाः शृङ्गारभावजाः ।' इति भूषणा । निरर्गलोऽप्रतिहतः ।
अनङ्गो मदनः । तत्र रन्ध्रे तत्रावकाशे । आन्ध्रनाथेन आन्ध्रराजेन । सलिलतरणं
जलतरणं तस्य यत्साधनं नौकादि । अनीकं सैन्यम् । शक् शीघ्रम् ।

नः सह सखीजेनेन कनकलेखा । तदाऽहं दाहेनानङ्गदहनजनितेनान्त-
रिताहारचिन्ताश्चिन्तयन्दयितां गलितगात्रकान्तिरित्यतर्क्यं—' गता सा
कलिङ्गराजतनया जनित्रा जनयिष्या च सहारिहस्तं । निरस्तैर्यैश्च तां
स राजा नियतं संजिघृक्षेत् । तदसहा च सा सती गररसादिना सद्यः
संतिष्ठेत् । तस्यां च तादृशीं दशां गतायां जनस्यास्यानन्यजेन
हन्येत शरीरधारणा । सा का स्याद्भूतिः' इति ।

अत्रान्तर औन्ध्रनगरादागच्छन्नग्रजः कश्चिदैक्ष्यत । तेन चेयं
कथा कथिता—' यथा किल जयसिंहेनानैकनिकारदत्तसंघर्षेण
जिघांसितः स कर्दनः कनकलेखादर्शनैधितेन रागेणारक्ष्यत । सा च
दारिका यक्षेण केनचिदधिष्ठिता न तिष्ठत्यग्रे नरान्तरस्य नरेन्द्रस्य च ।
आयस्यति च नरेन्द्रसार्थसंग्रहणेन तन्निराकरिष्यन्नरेन्द्रो न चास्ति
सिद्धिः' इति । तेन चाहं दर्शिताशः शंकरनृत्तदेशजातस्य जरत्सालस्य
स्कन्धरन्ध्रान्तर्जटाजालं निष्कृप्य तेन जटिलतां गतः कन्याचीरसंच-
यान्तरितसकलग्रात्रः कांश्चिच्छिप्यानग्रहीषं । तांश्च नानाश्चर्यक्रियाति-
संहिताज्जनादाकृष्टान्नचेलदित्यागान्नित्यहृष्टानकार्षे । अयासिषं च
दिनैः कैश्चिदान्ध्रनगरम् । तस्य नात्यासन्ने सलिलराशिसदृशस्य कल-
हंसगणदलितनलिनदलसंहतिगलितकिञ्जल्कशकलशारस्य सारसश्रेणि-
शेखरस्य सरसस्तीरकानने कृतनिकेतनः स्थितः । शिष्यजनकथित-

अनङ्ग एव दहनः । अन्तरिता दूरं गता । आहारो भक्षणम् । तदसहा तन्न
सहते इति सा तथा । गरं विषम् । अत्रान्तर इति । अग्रजो ब्राह्मणः । निकारो
यातना । अपकारो वा । ' अपराधोऽपकारश्च निकारोऽपि समाः । ' इति वैजयन्ती ।
संघर्षणमभिभवेच्छा । अधितो वर्धितः । दारिका कन्यका । नरान्तरस्य राज्ञोऽन्य-
स्येत्यर्थः । नरेन्द्रा मन्त्रवादिनः । आयस्यति यततं । ' यसु प्रयत्ने ' इति
धातोः । नरेन्द्रसार्थो मान्त्रिकसमाजः । जरत्सालस्य जीर्णवृक्षस्य । नाना वि-
विधा आश्चर्यक्रियास्ताभिः अतिसंहिताद्विज्ञितात् । आकृष्टानामन्नचेलानां
त्यागादानात् । तस्यान्ध्रनगरस्य । नात्यासन्ने किञ्चिदूरे । सलिलराशिः
समुद्रः । कलहंसगणेन दलितानि भग्नानि यानि नलिनानि कमलानि तेषां
दलानां संहतिर्दृष्टम् । ' स्त्रियां तु संहतिर्दृष्टम् ' इत्यमरः । तस्याः गलिताः किञ्चिद्दूरे
केसराः तेषां शकलैः शारस्य चित्रवर्णस्य । कृतनिकेतनः कृतगृहः ।

१ गतः २ धारणाशा । का स्यात् ३ अन्ध्र ४ नैक ५ दत्तसंघर्षण ६ नृत्यरङ्गः
७ अनिसंहितान् ।

चित्रचेष्टाकृष्टसकलनागरजनौमिसंधानदक्षः सन् दिशि दिशीत्यकीर्त्ये
जनेन—‘य एष जरदरण्यस्थलीसरस्तीरे स्थण्डिलशायी यतिस्तस्य
किल सकलानि सरहस्यानि सषडङ्गानि च च्छन्दांसि रसनाग्रे सनिहि-
तानि, अन्यानि च शास्त्राणि । येन यानि न ज्ञायन्ते स तेषां तत्स-
काशादर्थनिर्णयं करिष्यति । असत्येनास्य नास्यं संसृज्यते । सशरीर-
श्चैष दयाराशिः । एतत्संग्रहेणाद्य चिरं चरितार्था दीक्षा । तच्चरणरजः-
कणैः कैश्चन शिरसि कीर्णैरनेकस्यानेक आतङ्कश्चिरं चिकित्सकैरसं-
हार्यः संहतः । तदङ्घ्रिक्षालनसलिलसैकैर्निष्कलङ्कशिरसां नश्यन्ति
क्षणेनैकेनाखिलनरेन्द्रयन्त्रैलङ्घिनश्चण्डतौराग्रहाः । न तस्य शक्यं
शक्तेरियत्ताज्ञानं । न चास्याहंकारकणिका ’ इति । सा चेयं कथा-
ऽनेकजनास्यसंचारिणी तस्य कनकलखाधेष्ठानधनदाज्ञाकरनिरा-
क्रियासक्तचतसः क्षत्रियस्याकर्षणायाशक्त । स चाहरहरागत्याद-
रेणातिगरीयसाऽर्चयन्नयैश्च शिष्यान्संगृह्णन्नधिगतक्षणः कदाचित्का-
ङ्क्षितार्थसाधनाय शनैरयाचिष्ट । ध्यानधीरः स्थानदर्शितज्ञानसंनिधि-
श्चैनं निरीक्ष्य निचाय्याकथयं—‘ तात स्थान एष ’ हि यत्नः ।

अभिसंधानं प्रतारणं तत्र दक्षः । दिशि दिशि प्रतिदिशम् । अकीर्त्ये व्यापित इत्यर्थः ।
जरदरण्यं जीर्णारण्यम् । स्थण्डिलशायी । ‘ स्थण्डिलाच्छयितरि व्रते ’ इति णिनिः ।
षडङ्गानि शिक्षादीनि । ‘ निरुक्तं ज्योतिषं कल्पसूत्रं व्याकरणं तथा । छन्दोविचिति-
शिक्षे च वेदाङ्गानि वदन्ति षट् ॥ ’ इति भूषणा । छन्दांसि वेदाः । रसनाग्रं जिह्वा-
ग्रम् । आस्यं मुखम् । सशरीरः शरीरवान् । दयाराशिः कृपासमुद्रः । संग्रहेण
स्वीकरेण । आतङ्को भयम् । चिकित्सकैर्मन्त्रवादिभिः । अखिलनरेन्द्रा मन्त्रवादिनः ।
यन्त्राणि मन्त्रविन्यासरेखाक्रमाः । इयत्ता परिमाणम् । कणिका लेशः । तस्य जय-
सिंहस्येत्यर्थः । धनदः कुत्रेस्तस्याज्ञाकरो यक्षः । निराक्रिया दूरीकरणम् । स चेति ।
स जयसिंहः । अहरहः प्रतिदिनम् । क्षण उत्सवः । अथ वा अधिगतः प्राप्तः क्षण
एकान्तकालो येन । ‘ स्थाने योग्ये काले दर्शितो ज्ञानस्य तदधिष्ठितपिशाचादिज्ञानस्य
संनिधिः सानिध्यं येन सः ’ इति भूषणा । निचाय्य दृष्टेत्यर्थः । अधिगतिः प्राप्तिः ।

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६ चण्डतरग्रहाः. ७ धिष्ठित.

तस्य हि कन्यारत्नस्य सकलकल्याणलक्षणैकराशेरधिगतिः क्षीर-
सागररशनालंकृतायाः गङ्गादिनदीसहस्रहारयष्टिराजिताया धराङ्गनाया
एवासादनाय साधनं । न च स यक्षस्तदधिष्ठायी केनचिन्नेन्द्रेण तस्या
लीलाञ्छितनीलनीरजदर्शनाया दर्शनं सहते । तदत्र सङ्गतां त्रीण्यहानि
यैरहं यतिष्येऽर्थस्यास्य साधनाय ' इति । तथादिष्टे च हृष्टे क्षितीशे
गते निशि निर्निशाकरार्चिषि नीरन्ध्रान्धकारकणनिकरनिगीर्णदशदिशि
निद्रानिगडितनिखिलजनद्वशि निर्गत्य जलतललीनेनगाहनीयं नीरन्ध्रं
कृच्छ्राच्छिद्रीकृतान्तरालं तदेकतः सरस्तटं तीर्थसंनिष्ठं केनचित्स्व-
ननसाधनेनाकार्षं । घनशिलेष्टिकाच्छन्नच्छिद्राननं तत्सरस्तीरदेशं जनैर-
शङ्कनीयं निश्चित्य दिनादिस्नाननिर्णिकतात्रश्च नक्षत्रसंतानहारयष्ट्यग्र-
प्रथितरत्नं क्षणदान्धकारगन्धहस्तिदारणैककेसरिणं कनकशैलशृङ्ग-

रशना मेखला । ' लीकटया मेखला काशी सप्तकी रशना तथा ' इत्यमरः ।
नदीसहस्रमेव हारयष्टिस्तथा राजितायाः शोभितायाः । नीरजं कमलं तद्दर्शनं
नेत्रम् । ' दर्शनं नयनस्वप्नबुद्धिधर्मोपलब्धिषु ' इति मेदिनी । निर्निशाकरार्चिषि
निर्गतं निशाकरस्य चन्द्रस्यार्चिस्तेजो यस्यामिति । निशित्यस्य विशेषणम् । नीरन्ध्रा-
न्धकारो गाढान्धकारः । नीगीर्णदशदिशि । ' निर्णीर्णं खादितं ग्रस्तं क्षतमन्तःकृतं
च तत् ' इति कोशः । निगडितं बद्धम् । जलतलेति । ' जलतललीनेनान्तःप्र-
विष्टेनैव गम्यं कृच्छ्रमज्ञेयमन्तरालमवकाशो यस्य तथा सरस्तटं तदेकत एकत्र कृतम् ।
तत्तटे गुप्तं स्थानं जले कृतमिति यावत् ' इति भूषणा । सरस्तटमेकतः सरस्तटस्या-
न्तिके । ' एकतः क्वचिदन्तिके ' इति वैजयन्ती । ' एकतःसर्वतोयोगे शेषार्थे कर्म
वेप्यते ' इति द्वितीया । घना निविडाः शिलाः पाषाणाः इष्टिकाश्च तामिच्छन्माच्छा-
दितम् । दिनादिः प्रातःकालः । निर्णिकं शोधितम् । ' निर्णिकं शोधितं मृष्टम् '
इत्यमरः । संतानं विस्तारः । ' हरिहर ' इति पाठे संतानं हरति लोपयतीति हरिणी
हारयष्टिः प्रातस्तनप्रभासंतानरूपा तस्याः इत्यादि । क्षणदा रात्रिः । गन्धहस्ती
मत्तद्विषः । " यस्य गन्धं समाघ्राय न तिष्ठन्ति प्रतिद्विपाः । तं गन्धहस्तिनं
प्रादुर्गतेर्विजयावहम् । " इति पालकाप्ये । दारणे विदारणम् । कनकशैलः मेरुः ।

रङ्गलास्यलीलानटं गगनसागरघनतरङ्गराजिलङ्घनैकनक्रं कार्याकार्य-
साक्षिणं सहस्राक्षिं सहस्राक्षदिगङ्गनाङ्गरागारागायितकिरणजालं रक्त-
नीरजाञ्जलिनाऽऽराध्य निजनिकेतनं न्यैशिश्रियम् ।

याते च दिनत्रये, अस्तगिरिशिखरगैरिकतटसाधारणच्छायतेजसि
अचलराजकन्यकाकदर्शनयाऽन्तरिक्षाख्येन शंकरशरीरेण संसृष्टायाः
संध्याङ्गनाया रक्तचन्दनचर्चितैकस्तनकलशदर्शनीये दिनाधिनाथे जना-
धिनाथः स आगत्य जनस्यास्य धरणिन्यस्तचरणनखकिरणच्छादित-
किरीटः कृताञ्जलिरतिष्ठत् । आदिष्टश्च—‘ दिष्ट्या दृष्टेष्टसिद्धिः । इह
जगति हि न निरीहं देहिनं श्रियः संश्रयन्ते । श्रेयांसि च सकलान्य-
नलसानां हस्ते नित्यसानिध्यानि । यतस्ते सार्धायसा सच्चरितेना-
नाकलितकलङ्केनार्चितेनात्यादरनिचितेनाकृष्टचेतसा जनेनानेन सर इदं
तथा संस्कृतं यथेह तेऽद्य सिद्धिः स्यात् । तदेतस्यां निशि गलदर्षायां
गाहनीयं । गाहनानन्तरं च सलिलतले सततगतीनन्तःसंचारिणः संनिगृह्य
यथाशक्ति शय्या कार्या । ततश्च तटस्वलितजलस्थगितजलजखण्ड-
चलितदण्डकण्टकाग्रदलितदेहराजहंसत्रासजर्जररसितसंदत्तकर्णस्य जनस्य

लास्यलीला विलासक्रिया । गगनसागरः गगनसमुद्रः । घना एव तरङ्गाः । राज्ञिः
परंपरा । लङ्घनमतिक्रम्य गमनम् । सहस्राक्ष इन्द्रैस्तद्दिगङ्गना । प्राचीत्यर्थः । रागायितं
रागबदाचरितम् । रक्तनीरजं रक्तोत्पलम् । निजनिकेतनं स्वगृहम् । अशिश्रियमाश्रित-
वान् । ‘ अस्तगिरिशिखरगैरिकतटसाधारणच्छायतेजसि ’ इत्यग्रिमस्य ‘ दिनाधिनाथे ’
इति षडस्य विशेषणम् । अचलराजकन्यकाः पार्वती । कदर्शनया कुसितप्रार्थनया ।
अन्तरिक्षाख्येन । अष्टमूर्तिमध्य आकाशाभिधेयेनैत्यर्थः । संसृष्टाया मिलितायाः । संध्यै-
वाङ्गना । चर्चितः आलिप्तः । ‘ चर्चा चर्चिकयमालये ’ इति वैजयन्ती । दिष्ट्याऽदृष्टेन ।
इष्टसिद्धिर्दृष्टेत्यन्वयः । निरीहं निर्गतेहा यस्येति तम् । निःस्पृहमित्यर्थः । स्पृहमेव
श्रिय आश्रयन्त इति भावः । श्रेयांसि सुकृतानि । ‘ स्याद्धर्ममन्त्रियां पुण्यश्रेयसी
सुकृतं वृषः ’ इत्यमरः । अनलसानामुद्योगिनाम् । सार्धायसा अतिशयेन साध्विति
साध्वीयस्तेन । अनाकलितं दूरीकृतम् । कलङ्को दूषणम् । तत्सरः । गाहनीयमालोड-
नीयम् । संनिगृह्य निग्रहं कृत्वा । स्थगितं मन्दीभूतम् । जलजखण्डं कमलसमूहः ।
दलितं धर्षितम् । जर्जरमतिश्चथम् । रसितं शाब्दितम् । ‘ रस शब्दने ’ । ‘ तटःस्व-
लिताः पतितताश्च ते जले स्थगिताः स्थिता ये जलजसमूहस्य चञ्चलदण्डस्य कण्टकाः

क्षणादाकर्णनीयं जनिष्यते जलसंघातस्य किञ्चिदारटितं । शान्ते च तत्र
 सखिलगटिते क्लिन्नगात्रः किञ्चिदारक्तदृष्टिर्धेनाकारेण निर्यास्यसि निचाय्य
 तं निखिलजननेत्रानन्दकारिणं न स यक्षः शक्ष्यत्यग्रतः स्थितये ।
 स्थिरतरनिहितस्नेहशृङ्खलानिगडितं च कन्यकाहृदयं क्षणेनैकेनासहनीय-
 दर्शनान्तरायं स्यात् । अस्याश्च धराङ्गनाया नात्यादरनिराकृतारिचक्रं
 चक्रं करतलगतं चिन्तनीयं । न तत्र संशयः । तच्चेदिच्छस्यनेकशास्त्र-
 ज्ञानधीरधिषणैरधिभूतैरितरैश्च हिनैषिगणैराकलय्ये जालिकशतं चानाय्य,
 अन्तरङ्गनरशतैर्यथेष्टदृष्टान्तरालं सरः क्रियेत । रक्षा च तीरात्रिंशद्दण्डा-
 न्तराले सैनिकजनेन सादृशं रचनीया । कस्तत्र तज्जानाति यच्छिद्रेणा-
 रयश्चिकीर्षन्ति ' इति । तत्तम्य हृदयहारि जातं । तदधिभूतैश्च तत्र
 कृत्ये रन्ध्रदर्शनासहैरिच्छां च राज्ञः कन्यकातिरागजनितां नितान्त-
 निश्चलां निश्चित्यार्थ एष न निषिद्धः । तथाभ्युत्थितश्च तदासादनदृढ-
 तराशयश्च स आख्यायत—' राजन्, अत्र त जनान्ते चिरं स्थितं
 न चैकत्र चिरस्थानं नः शस्तं । कृतकृत्यश्च न इह द्रष्टासि ।
 यस्य ते राष्ट्रे ग्रासाद्यासादितं तस्य ते किञ्चिदनाचर्य कार्यं गति-
 रार्यगर्ह्या ' इति । अत्रैतच्चिरस्थानस्य कारणं । तच्चाद्य सिद्धं ।
 गच्छ गृहान् । यथाहेनलेन हृद्यगन्धेन स्नातः सितस्त्रगङ्गरागः
 तेर्दलितो देहा येषां ते तेषां राजहंसानां त्रासजर्जरं त्रासेन कठोरं रसितं शब्दस्तत्र
 दत्तः कणो येन तस्य " इति भूषणा । आरटितं पीडाशब्दितम् । क्लिन्नगात्र आर्द्र-
 शरीरः । निचाय्य निश्चित्य । अग्रतः स्थितये पुरो वर्तितुमित्यर्थः । नात्यादरेण ।
 ' विलासेनैवेत्यर्थः ' इति भूषणा । निराकृतमरिचक्रं यस्मात्तत् । शास्त्रज्ञानेन धीरा
 धीपणा बुद्धिः येषां तैः । ' बुद्धिर्भनीषा धिषणा ' इत्यमरः । जालिका जालवर्तिनः ।
 दृष्टान्तरालं ज्ञातमध्यम् । दण्डः प्रकाण्डः । ' दण्डोऽस्त्री लघुडे पुनान् । व्यूढभेद
 प्रकाण्डे च ' इति मंदिनी । षोडशहस्त इति यावत् । ' काण्डान्ताक्षेत्रे ' इति सूत्रे
 काण्डशब्दस्य षोडशहस्तप्रमाणमिति व्याख्यातं श्रुतिकृता । हृदयहारि चित्त-
 हारि । अतिरागः रागातिशयः । तदासादनं तच्छब्देन सरसस्तस्यासादनमधिष्ठानम् ।
 अतिशयेन दृढ आशयः यस्य । एकत्रैकस्मिन्स्थाने । शस्तं प्रशस्तम् ।
 गृहान् । ' गृहाः पुंसि च भूम्येव ' इत्यमरः । सख्याला । अङ्गरागश्चर्चा । धरणि-

१ तम्य...कारिणः. २ कन्यकारत्नम्. ३ नात्यादृत. ४ नेक. ५ विचार्य. ६ अन-
 स्तरं. ७ तिष्ठामि. ८ आतिथेयादि.

शक्तिसदृशेन दानेनाराधितधरणिर्तलतैतिलगणस्तिलस्नेहसिक्तयष्ट्यग्र-
प्रथितवर्तिकाग्निशिखासहस्रप्रस्तनैशान्धकारराशिरभगत्यार्थसिद्धये य-
तेथाः' इति । स किल कृतज्ञतां दर्शयन्—'असिद्धिरेषा सिद्धिः,
यदसंनिधिरिहार्याणां । कष्टा चेयं निःसंगता या निरागसं दासजनं
त्याजयति । न च निषेधनीया गरीयसां गिरः' इति स्नानाय गृह-
नयासीत् । अहं च निर्गत्य निर्जने निशीथे सरस्तीररन्ध्रनिलीनः
सन्नीषच्छिद्रदत्तकर्णः स्थितः । स्थिते चार्धरात्रे कृतयथादिष्टक्रियः
स्थानस्थानरचितरक्षः स राजा जालिकजनानानीय* निराकृतान्तः-
शल्यं शङ्काहीनः सरःसलिलं सलीलगतिरगाहत । गतं च कीर्ण-
केशं संहतकर्णनासं सरसस्तलं हास्तिनं नकलीलया नीराति-
निलीनयायी तं तथाशयानं कंघरायां कन्थया न्यग्रहीषं ।
खरतरकालदण्डघट्टनातिचण्डैश्च करचरणतलाघातैर्निर्दयदत्तनिग्रहः क्षणे-

तलं पृथ्वीतलं तत्र तैतिलगणा देवगणाः । 'तैतिलौ देवकालिकौ' इति कोशः । तिल-
स्नेहसिक्ताश्च ता यष्ट्यग्रप्रथितवर्तिकाश्च तासामग्निशिखासहस्रेण प्रस्तः निशायां भवे
नैशः अन्धकारराशिर्यस्य । तिलस्नेहं तिलतैलम् । वर्तिका वल्लकृतनालिका । भाषया
'पलीता' इति ख्यातः । अस्यामाग्निशिखा अग्निज्वाला । प्रस्तो गिलितः । नैशा-
न्धकारराशी रात्रितिमिरसमूहः । अर्थसिद्धयेऽर्थप्राप्त्यर्थम् । यतेथाः । 'यती द्रयत्ने'
इत्यस्माल्लिङि मध्यमपुष्पैकवचनम् । असंनिधिरसंनिधानम् । आर्याणां श्रेष्ठानाम् ।
निरागसं निरपराधम् । गरीयसां गुरूणाम् । निराकृतं दूरीकृतम् । सरःसलिलं सरो-
जलम् । अगाहत अग्लोडयामासेत्यर्थः । कीर्णकेशं प्रसृतकेशम् । संहतकर्णनासं
कर्णौ च नासा च कर्णनासम् । प्राण्यङ्गत्वादेकवद्भावः । पश्चात्संहतपदेन समासः ।
नासा नासिका । हास्तिनं हस्तिप्रमाणम् । 'पुरुषहस्तिभ्यामण् च' । 'हास्तिन-
लीलया 'पुरुषहस्तिभ्यामण् च' इति पक्षे अपि 'संयोगादिश्च' इति प्रकृतिभावः ।
हस्तिप्रमाणस्य या लीला तथा । न तु ह्रस्वप्रमाणस्य लीलया । तथा
सति प्रतीकारसंभवापत्तेः' इति भूषणा । अतिनिलीनतया यातीति अतिनिर्ली-
नयायी । कन्थया प्रावरणेन । 'कन्था प्रावरणान्तरे' इति विश्वः । खरतरस्तीक्ष्णः ।
कालदण्डो यमदण्डः । तस्य घट्टनादतिचण्डैः सुतरां कठिनैः । निग्रहो
निकारः । अजहात् तस्याजेत्यर्थः । 'ओहाक् स्यागे' । आकारान्तरग्रहणमन्याकर-

१ तलेनि नास्ति कचित्. २ चेलाञ्चल्यवण्डकाग्निशिखासहस्रास्त. ३ गतः. ४ हस्तिनक.

नैकेनाजहात्स चेष्टां । ततश्चाकृष्य तच्छरीरं छिद्रे निधाय नीराग्निरयासिषं ।

सद्यः संगतानां च सैनिकानां तदत्यचित्रीयताकारान्तरग्रहणं । गजस्कन्धगतः सितच्छत्रादिसकलराजचिह्नराजितश्चण्डतरदण्डिदण्डताडन-
त्रस्तजनदत्तान्तरालया राजैवीध्या यातस्तां निशां रसनयनानिरस्तनिद्वारति-
रनैषं । नीते च जनाक्षिलक्ष्यतां लाक्षारसदिग्धदिग्गजशिरःसदृक्षे शक्र-
दिगङ्गनारत्नादर्शेऽर्कचक्रे कृतकरणीयः किरणजालकरालरत्नराजिराजित-
राजार्हासिनाध्यासी यथासदृशाचारदर्शिनः शङ्कायन्त्रिताङ्गान्संनिधिनिषा-
दिनः सहायानगादिषं—‘ दृश्यतां शक्तिरार्थी यत्तस्य यतेरजेयस्येन्द्रि-
याणां संस्कारेण नीरजसा नीरजसांनिध्यशालिनि सहर्षालिनि सरसि
सरसिजदलसंनिकाशच्छायस्याधिकतरदर्शनीयस्याकारान्तरस्थ सिद्धिरा-
सीत् । अद्य सकलनास्तिकानां जायेत लज्जानतं शिरः । तदिदानीं
चन्द्रशेखरनरकशासनसरसिजासनादीनां त्रिदशेशानां स्थानान्यत्यादर-
रचितनृत्यगीतौद्याराधनानि क्रियन्तां । ह्रियन्तां च गृहादितः क्लेशनिर-
सनसहान्यर्थिसार्थैर्धनानि’ इति । आश्चर्यरसातिरेकदृष्टदृष्टयस्ते ‘जय जग-
दीश, जयेन सातिशयं दश दिशः स्थगयन्निजेन यशसाऽऽदिराजयशांसि’

प्राप्तिः । गजस्कन्धगतो हस्तिमस्तकगतः । चण्डतरा अतिप्रचण्डाः दण्डिनो दण्डधराः
तेषां दण्डास्तेस्ताडनं तस्मात् त्रस्तेन जनेन दत्तमन्तरालं यस्यां तथा । अन्त-
रालमभ्यन्तरम् । रसः क्रीडारसः । निरस्ता त्यक्ता । निद्वारतिर्निद्रासुखम् । जनाक्षीणि
लोकनेत्राणि तेषां लक्ष्यतां ग्राहकत्वम् । दिग्धं लिप्तम् । शक्रदिगङ्गना प्राची दिक् ।
किरणजालेन करालं च तद्रत्नराज्यः राजितं च यत् राजार्हमासनं तदध्यास्तेऽसौ
तथा । राजार्हं राजयोग्यम् । संनिधौ निषीदन्ति ते संनिधिनिषादिनः । आर्षां ऋषे-
रियं तथा । अजेयस्य जेतुमशक्यस्य । ‘ इन्द्रियाणामजेयस्य जितेन्द्रियस्येत्यर्थः ’
इति भूषणा । नीरजसा निवृत्तरजोगुणेन । नीरजानि कमलानि । अद्येति ।
नरकशासनो विष्णुः । सरसिजासनः ब्रह्मा । अर्थिसार्थैर्याचकसमाजैः । क्लेशानां निरसनं
‘दूरीकरणं तत्सहानि समर्थानि । आश्चर्यरसातिरेक आश्चर्यरसाधिक्रयम् । जयेन साति-
शयमतिशयेन सह वर्तमानं तथा यथा । स्थगयन् व्याप्नुवन् । निजेन यशसा स्वकीत्यां
आदिराजस्य मनोः यशांसि जयेति पूर्वोणान्वयः । यद्वा आदिराजास्तासित्-

१ राजरथ्यया, २ नयनरस, ३ गीतार्चनाश्रितानि, ४ जय जय जगदीश दश दिशः
स्थगयन्निजेन जसाऽऽदिराजः, ५ स्वतेजसाऽतिशय्य.

इत्यसकृदाशास्यारचयन्यथादिष्टाः क्रियाः । स चाहं दयितायाः सखीं हृदयस्थानीयां शशाङ्कसेनां कन्यकां कदाचित्कुर्यान्तरागता रहस्याचक्षिषि — ‘कचिदयं जनः कदाचिदासीद्दृष्टः’ इति । अथ सा हर्षकाष्ठा गतेन हृदयेनेषदालक्ष्य दशनदीधितिलतां लीलालसं लासयन्ती लैलिताञ्चितकर-शाखान्तरितदन्तच्छदकिसलया हर्षजलक्लेदजर्जरनिरञ्जनेक्षणा रचिताञ्जलिः ‘नितरां जाने यदि न स्यादैन्द्रजालिकस्य जालं किञ्चिदेतादृशं । कथं चेतत् । कथय ’ इति स्नेहनिर्यन्त्रणं शनैरगौदीत् । अहं चास्यैवास्त्वेनानाख्याय तदाननसंक्रान्तेन संदेशेन संजनय्य सैहचर्या निरतिशयं हृदयाह्लादं ततश्चैतया दयितया निरर्गलीकृततिसत्कृतकलिङ्कनाथन्यायदत्तया संगत्यान्ध्रकलिङ्गराज्यशासी तस्यास्यारिणा लिलङ्घयिषितस्याङ्गराजस्य साहाय्यकायालथीयसा साधनेनागत्यात्र ते सखिजनसंगतस्य यादृच्छिकदर्शनानन्दराशिलङ्घितचेता जातः ’ इति ।

तस्य तत्कौशलं स्मितज्योत्स्नाभिषिक्तदन्तच्छदः सह सुहृद्भिः-

पितामहादयः । असकृद्द्वारंवारम् । आशास्य प्रशस्य । आरचयन् चक्रुरित्यर्थः । क्रियाः कार्याणि । हृदयस्थानीयां प्राणभूताम् । अथेति । हर्षकाष्ठां हर्षमर्यादाम् । ईषद-त्पम् । दशनदीधितयो दन्तमयूखाः त एव लता तां लीलयाऽलसं मन्थरं यथा तथा लासयन्ती नर्तयन्ती । कर एव शाखा । दन्तच्छद ओष्ठः । हर्षजलमानन्दाधु । क्लेद आर्द्रभावः तेन जर्जरं विशीर्णम् । ‘इन्द्रध्वजे विशीर्णे च जर्जरं परिक्षते’ इति शाश्वतः । निरञ्जनं कज्जलरहितमीक्षणं नेत्रं यस्याः सा । स्नेहनिर्यन्त्रणं स्नेहबद्धम् । स्नेहेन निर्गता यन्त्रणा यथा स्यात्तथा । कास्त्वेन कृत्स्नस्य भावस्तथा । समप्रेणेत्यर्थः । तदाननसंक्रान्तेन तन्मुखोद्गतेन । संदेशेन वाचिकेन । संजनय्योत्पाद्य । सैहचर्याः कनकलेखायाः । निरर्गलीकृतो मुक्तबन्धनः अतिसत्कृतश्च यः कलिङ्कनाथस्तेन न्यायेन दत्ता तथा । न्यायेन विधिपूर्वकम् । आन्ध्रश्चासौ कलिङ्गराजश्चेति । तस्य राज्यं तच्छास्तीति शासी । यादृच्छिकं प्रसङ्गजातम् । आनन्दराशिः सुखसमूहः । तस्येति । स्मितज्योत्स्ना हास्यदीप्तिः तथा अभिषिक्तः दन्तच्छदः यस्य । सुहृद्भिः सखिभिः । नर्म परिहासः । ‘द्रवकेलिपरीहासाः क्रीडा लीला च नर्म च

रामिनन्द्य 'चित्रमिदं महामुनेर्वृत्तम् । अत्रैव खलु फलितमतिकष्टं तपः ।
तिष्ठतु तावन्नर्म । हर्षप्रकर्षस्पृशोः प्रज्ञासत्त्वयोर्दृष्टमिह स्वरूपम्'
इत्यभिधाय पुनः 'अवतरतु भवान्' इति बहुश्रुते विश्रुते विकचराजीव-
सदृशं दृशं चिक्षेप देवो राजवाहनः ।

इति श्रीदण्डिनः कृतौ दशकुमारचरिते मन्त्रगुप्तचरितं नाम सप्तम उच्छ्वासः ।

अष्टम उच्छ्वासः ।

अथ सोऽप्याचक्षे—'देव मयाऽपि परिभ्रमता विन्ध्याटव्या
कोऽपि कुमारः क्षुधा तृषा च क्लिश्यन्नक्लेशार्हः क्वचित्कूपाभ्याशेऽष्ट-
वर्षदेशीयो दृष्टः । स च त्रासगद्गदमगदत्—'महाभाग, क्लिष्टस्य
मे क्रियतामार्य साहाय्यकम् । अस्य मे प्राणापहारिणीं पिपासां
प्रतिकर्तुमुदकमुदञ्चन्निह कूपे कोऽपि निष्कलो ममैकशरणभूतः
पतितः । तमलमस्मि नाहमुद्धर्तुम्' इति । अथाहमभ्येत्य व्रतत्या
कयाऽपि वृद्धमुत्तार्य तं च बालं वंशनालीमुखोद्धृताभिरद्भिः फलैश्च
शरक्षेपोच्छ्रितस्य लकुचवृक्षस्य शिखरात्पाषाणपातितैः

इत्यमरः । प्रकर्षं आधिक्यम् । प्रज्ञा बुद्धिः । सत्त्वं बलम् । बहुश्रुते बहुनेकं श्रुतं
शास्त्रादिश्रवणं यस्येति । विश्रुत एतन्नाम्नि ।

इति श्रीदशकुमारचरितटीकायां सप्तम उच्छ्वासः ।

इदानीं विश्रुतनामा कुमारः स्वचरितं वक्तुमुपक्रमते—अथेति । अथानन्तर्यार्थे । स
विश्रुतनामा । अक्लेशार्हः । क्लेशं नाहतीति स तथोक्तः । कूपो जलाशयः तस्य अभ्याशे
समीपे । अष्टवर्षदेशीयः असमाप्ताष्टवर्षः । 'ईषदसमाप्तौ कल्पदेशदेशीयः' इति
शब्दान्तर्यूनार्थे देशीयप्रत्ययः । साहाय्यकं सहायस्य भावस्तत् । पिपासा पातुमिच्छा ।
प्रतिकर्तुं दूरीकर्तुम् । उदञ्चन्निष्कासयन् । कोऽप्यविदितकुलनामा । निष्कलः स्थविरः ।
वृद्ध इति यावत् । 'निष्कलः स्थविरः समौ' इति वैजयन्ती । अथेति । व्रतत्या
वल्ग्या । 'वल्ली तु व्रततिर्लता' इत्यमरः । रज्जुस्थानीकृत्येति भावः । वंशनाली
वंशदण्डः । पञ्चषेः पञ्च षड् वा । 'संहययाव्यय—' इत्यादिना बहुव्रीहिः ।
'बहुव्रीहौ संहयेये ढजबहुगणात्' इति समासान्तो ङच् । शरक्षेपो बाणगमनम् ।
ततोऽप्युच्छ्रितस्य । उच्येत्येत्यर्थः । लकुच इति भाषया 'बडहर' इति प्रसिद्धः वृक्षः ।

प्रत्यानीतप्राणवृत्तिमापाद्य, तरुतलनिषण्णस्तं जरन्तमब्रवम्—‘तात, क
एष बालः, को वा भवान्, कथं चेयमापदापन्ना ’ इति । सोऽभ्रुगद्गद-
मगदत्—‘ श्रूयतां महाभाग । विदर्भो नाम जनपदः । तस्मिन्भोज-
वंशभूषणम्, अंशावतार इव धर्मस्य, अतिसत्त्वः, सत्यवादी, वदान्यः,
विनीतः, विनेता प्रजानाम्, रञ्जितभृत्यः, कीर्तिमान्, उदग्रो बुद्धि-
मूर्तिभ्याम्, उत्थानशीलः, शास्त्रप्रमाणः, शक्यभव्यकल्पारम्भी, संभाव-
यिता बुधान्, प्रभावयिता सेवकान्, उद्भावयिता बन्धून्, न्यग्भाव-
यिता शत्रून्, असंबद्धप्रलापेष्वदत्तकर्णः, कदाचिदप्यवितृष्णो गुणेषु,
अतिनदीष्णः कलासु, नेदिष्ठो धर्मार्थसंहितासु, स्वल्पेऽपि सुकृते सु-
तरां प्रत्युपकर्ता, प्रत्यवेक्षिता कोशवाहनयोः, यत्नेन परीक्षिता
सर्वाध्यक्षणाम्, उत्साहयिता कृतकर्मणामनुरूपैर्दानमानैः, सद्यः

प्रत्यानीता परावर्तिता प्राणानां वृत्तिः स्थितिर्यस्य । जरन्तं वृद्धम् । अभ्रुभिर्गद्गदं
यथा तथा । श्रूयतामिति । जनपदो देशः । अंशेनैकदेशेन । अत्यन्तं सत्त्वं
बलं यस्येति अतिसत्त्वो महाबलः । सत्त्वं सत्त्वगुणो वा । वदान्यो बहुप्रदः ।
‘स्युर्वदान्यस्थूललक्ष्यदानशौण्डा बहुप्रदे ।’ इत्यमरः । विनीतो नम्रः । विनेता
शिक्षकर्ता । रञ्जिता अनुरागं प्रापिता भृत्याः सेवका येनेति । उदग्र उन्नतः ।
बुद्धिर्भक्तिः मूर्तिः कायः । उत्थानशीलः पौष्पस्वभावः । ‘उत्थानं पौष्पे तन्त्रे’
इत्यमरः । शास्त्रमेव प्रमाणं यस्येति स तथा । शक्यं भव्यकल्पारम्भी । ‘शक्यं
तु सुकरं कर्म भव्यं तु जनलालितम् । कल्पं युक्तं न भङ्गेन सदैवैष समाचरेत् ॥’
इति दिवाकरः । शक्यं स्वसाध्यम् । भव्यं कुशलम् । ‘भावुकं भविकं भव्यं
कुशलं क्षेमम्’ इत्यमरः । कल्पो विधिः । ‘कल्पो न्याय्ये विधौ शास्त्रे संवर्ते
ब्रह्मवासरे । कल्पद्रुमे विकल्पे च ’ इति महीपः । तेषामारम्भस्तच्छीलः । संभाव-
यिता संभावना मानधनदिनेति । एवं सर्वत्र । प्रभावयिता अभ्युदयं प्राप-
यिता । ‘प्रभुत्वं कारयिता’ इति भूषणा । असंबद्धाः परस्पराभिमिलिताः । प्रलापा नि-
र्थकवचनानि । ‘प्रलापोऽनर्थकं वचः’ इत्यमरः । अवितृष्णो न विगता तृष्णा
यस्येति स तथा । सर्वदा सतृष्ण एवेत्यर्थः । नदीष्णो निपुणः । ‘नदीष्णाभिज्ञानिष्ठयूत-
प्रवीणनिपुणा अपि ’ इति कोशः । नदीपूर्वात्प्राणतेरातोऽनुपसर्गे कप्रत्ययः । ‘नि-
नदीभ्यां स्नातेः कौशले’ इति मूर्धन्यः । नेदिष्ठो निकटवर्ती । ‘अन्तिकबाह्योर्नेद-
साधौ’ इति साधुः । प्रत्यवेक्षा गवेषणम् । कोशो भाण्डागारम् । वाहनान्यश्वादीनि ।

प्रतिकर्ता दैवमानुषीणामापदाम्, षाड्गुण्योपयोगनिपुणः, मनुमार्गेण प्रणेता चातुर्वर्ण्यस्य, पुण्यश्लोकः, पुण्यवर्मा नामासीत् । स पुण्यैः कर्मभिः प्राण्य पुरुषायुषम्, पुनरपुण्येन प्रजानामगम्यतामरेषु । तदनन्तरमनन्तवर्मा नाम तदायतिरवनिमध्यतिष्ठत् । स सर्वगुणैः समृद्धोऽपि दैवाद्दण्डनीत्यां नात्यादृतोऽभूत् । तमेकदा रहसि वसुरक्षितो नाम मन्त्रिवृद्धः, पितुरस्य बहुमतः, प्रगल्भवागमाषत—
‘ तात, सर्वैवात्मसंपदभिजनात्प्रभृत्यन्यूनैवात्रभवति लक्ष्यते । बुद्धिश्च निसर्गपट्वी कलासु नृत्यगीतादिषु चित्रेषु च काव्यविस्तरेषु प्राप्तविस्तारा तवेतरेभ्यः प्रतिविशिष्यते । तथाऽप्यसावप्रतिपद्यात्मसंस्कारमर्थशास्त्रेषु, अनग्निसंशोधितेव हेमजातिर्नातिभाति बुद्धिः । बुद्धि-

प्रतिकर्ता प्रतीकारकर्ता । षाड्गुण्यं षट्पणाः । चातुर्वर्ण्यादिपाठात्स्वार्थे व्युत्पत्त्ययः । ‘ संधिर्ना विप्रहो यानमासनं द्वैधमाश्रयः । षड्गुणाः शक्त्यस्तिस्रः प्रभावोत्साहमन्त्रजाः ’ इत्यमरः । चतुर्वर्णा एव चातुर्वर्ण्यम् । पुण्यश्लोकः पवित्रकीर्तिः । ‘ पणे यशसि च श्लोकः ’ इत्यमरः । अतिसत्त्व इत्यादिनयवर्णने कामन्दकः—
‘ न्यायेनार्जनमर्थस्य वर्धनं रक्षणं तथा । सत्पात्रप्रतिपत्तिश्च राजवृत्तं चतुर्विधम् । नयविक्रमसंपन्नः सूत्यानश्चिन्तयेच्छ्रियम् । नयस्य विनयो मूलं विनयः शास्त्रनिश्चयः ॥ शास्त्रं प्रज्ञा धृतिर्दाक्ष्यं प्रागल्भ्यं धारयिष्णुता । उत्साहो वाग्मिता दार्ढ्यमापत्क्लेशसहिष्णुता ॥ प्रभावः शुचिता मैत्री त्यागः सत्यं कृतज्ञता । कुलं शीलं दमश्चेति गुणाः संपत्तिहेतवः ॥ ’ इति । याज्ञवल्क्योऽपि—
‘ ब्राह्मणेषु क्षमी स्निग्धेष्वजिह्वाः क्रोधनो रिपौ । श्याद्राजा भृत्यवर्गे च प्रजासु च यथा पिता ॥ ’ इति । पुण्यवर्मेति नाम राजा । स इति । प्राण्य जीवित्वेत्यर्थः । पुरुषायुषं पूर्णमायुः वर्षशतमितम् । ‘ अबतुर—’ इति सूत्रेण निपातः । अपुण्येन पापेनेत्यर्थः । अगम्यत । ‘ गण संख्याने ’ । अमरेषु देवेषु । तदनन्तरं पुण्यवर्मोत्तरमित्यर्थः । अनन्तवर्मेति । तदायतिस्तस्मात्पुण्यवर्मण आयतिः प्रभावो गत्येति स तथा । ‘ स्यात्प्रभावेऽपि चायतिः ’ इत्यमरः । दण्डनीत्यां राजनीत्याम् । प्रगल्भा प्रौढा वाग्यस्येति स तथा । ‘ आत्मसंपत् पुरुषगुणाः । ते च समनन्तरमेव ‘ शास्त्रं प्रज्ञा—’ इति श्लोकद्वयेन दर्शिताः ’ इति भूषणा । अभिजनात् कुलात् । अन्यूना संपूर्णेत्यर्थः । अतिज्ञयेन पटुः पट्वी । विस्तरो विस्तृतत्वम् । इतरेभ्योऽन्येभ्यः प्रतिविशिष्यते विशिष्टा भवतीत्यर्थः । अर्थशास्त्रेऽप्यन्वीक्षिक्यादिषु । हेमजातिः

शून्यो हि भूमदत्युच्छित्तोऽपि परैरध्यास्यमाणमात्मानं न चेतयते । न च शक्तः साध्यं साधनं वा विभज्य वर्तितुम् । अथवावृत्तश्च कर्मसु प्रतिहन्यमानः स्वैः परैश्च परिभूयते । न चावज्ञातस्याज्ञा प्रभवति प्रजानां योगक्षेमाराधनाय । अतिक्रान्तशासनाश्च प्रजा यत्किंचन-
वादिन्यो यथाकथंचिद्वर्तिन्यः सर्वाः स्थितीः संकिरेयुः । निर्मर्यादश्च लोको लोकादितोऽमुतश्च स्वामिनमात्मानं च भ्रंशयते । आगमदीप-
दृष्टेन खल्वध्वना सुखेन वर्तते लोकयात्रा । दिव्यं हि चक्षुर्भूतभवद्भ-
विष्यत्सु व्यवहितविप्रकृष्टादिषु च विषयेषु शास्त्रं नामाप्रतिहतवृत्तिः ।
तेन हीनः सतोर्प्यायतविशालयोर्लोचनयोरन्ध एव जन्तुरर्थदर्शनेष्वसाम-
र्थ्यात् । अतो विहाय बाह्यविद्यास्वभिषङ्गमागमय दण्डनीतिं कुल-
विद्याम् । तदर्थानुष्ठानेन चावर्जितशक्तिसिद्धिरस्वलितशासनः शाधि
चिरमुदाधिमेखलामुर्विषि ' इति ।

सुवर्णजातिः । अत्युच्छित्तोऽपि महानपि । परैः शत्रुभिः । अध्यास्यमाण-
मासाद्यमानम् । न चेतयते विना संज्ञानेन स्मारयत इत्यर्थः । साध्यं कार्यम् ।
साधनं कारणम् । साध्यं विपक्षभूतम् । साधनं सहायभूतम् । कर्मसु कार्येषु ।
स्वैरात्मीयैः । परिभूयते पराभवं प्राप्यते । अवज्ञातस्यावगणितस्य । योगोऽलम्ब-
लाभः । क्षेमं लब्धसंरक्षणम् । ' अप्राप्तप्रापणं योगः क्षेमं प्राप्तस्य रक्षणम् । द्वयं
च साधयेद्भूपः प्रजानां विधिवत्प्रदः ॥ ' इत्युक्तेः । स्थितीर्मर्यादाः । संकिरेयुः
संकीर्णाः कुर्युः । इतो लोकादिहलोकात् । अमुतः परलोकात् । भ्रंशयते पातयति ।
तथा च याज्ञवल्क्यः—“ अरक्ष्यमाणाः कुर्वन्ति यत्किंचित्किल्बिषं प्रजाः । तस्मात्तु
नृपतेरर्थं यस्माद् गृह्णात्यसौ करान् ॥ ” इति । कामन्दकोऽपि—“ अहिंसा मृगता वाणी
सत्यं शौचं दया क्षमा । वर्णिनां लिङ्गिनां चैव सामान्यो धर्म उच्यते ॥ स्वर्गा-
नन्त्याय धर्मोऽयं सर्वेषां वर्णिलिङ्गिनाम् ॥ तस्याभावे च लोकोऽयं संकरात्राशमप्लु-
यात् ॥ सर्वस्यास्य यथान्यायं भूपतिः संप्रवर्तकः । तस्याभावे धर्मनाशस्तद्भावे जग-
च्च्युतिः ॥ ” इति । चाणक्योऽपि—“ राज्ञि धर्मिणि धर्मिष्ठा पपे पापाः समे समाः ।
लोकास्तमनुवर्तन्ते यथा राजा तथा प्रजाः ॥ ” इति । आगम एव दीपस्तेन दृष्टेन ।
अध्वना मार्गेण । लोकयात्रा लोकस्थितिः । अप्रतिहतवृत्तिः न प्रतिहता कुण्ठिता वृत्ति-
र्यस्येति । तेन शास्त्रचक्षुषेत्यर्थः । सतोर्विद्यमानयोः । बाह्यविद्यास्त्रितरविद्यासु ।
अभिषङ्गं सङ्गम् । आगमय प्रापयेत्यर्थः । तदर्थानुष्ठानेन । कुलविद्यानुष्ठानेनेत्यर्थः ।
आवर्जिता प्राप्ता शक्तीनां प्रभावोत्साहमन्त्रजानां सिद्धयेन । अस्त्रास्त्रितशसुनो-

एतदाकर्ण्य 'स्थान एव गुरुभिरनुशिष्टम् । तथा क्रियते' इत्यन्तःपुर-
मविशत् । तां च वार्तां पार्थिवेन प्रमदासंनिधौ प्रसङ्गेनोदीरितामुपनिशम्य
समीपोपविष्टश्चित्तानुवृत्तिकुशलः प्रसादवित्तो गीतनृत्यवाद्यादिष्वबाह्यो
बाह्यनारीपरायणः पटुरयन्त्रितमुखो बहुभाङ्गिविशारदः परममन्वेषणपरः
परिहासयिता परिवादरुचिः पैशुन्यपण्डितः सचिवमण्डलादप्युत्कोच-
हारी सकलदुर्नयोपाध्यायः कामतन्त्रकर्णधारः कुमारसेवको विहारमद्रो
नाम स्मितपूर्वं व्यज्ञापयत्—'देव, दैवानुग्रहेण यदि कश्चिद्भ्राजन् भवति
विभूतेस्तमकस्मादुच्चावचैरुपप्रलोमनैः कदर्थयन्तः स्वार्थं साधयन्ति धूर्ताः ।
तथा हि । केचित्प्रेत्य किल लभ्यैरभ्युदयातिशयैराशामुत्पाद्य मुण्डयित्वा
शिरो बद्ध्वा दर्भरज्जुभिरजिनेनाच्छाद्य नवनीतेनोपलिप्यानशनं च शाय-
यित्वा सर्वस्वं स्वीकरिष्यन्ति । तेभ्योऽपि घोरतराः पौषण्डिनः पुत्रदार-
शरीरजीवितान्यपि मोचयन्ति । यदि कश्चित्पटुजातीयो नास्यै मृग
तृष्णिकायै हस्तगतं त्यक्तुमिच्छेत्, तमन्ये परिवार्याहुः—'एकामपि
काकिणीं कार्षापणलक्षमापादयेम, शस्त्राहते सर्वशत्रून्वातयेम, एक

ऽप्रतिहताङ्गः । शाधि शिक्षय । 'शासु अनुशिष्टौ' । एतादृति । स्थाने । युक्तमि-
त्यर्थः । अनुशिष्टमुपदिष्टम् । चित्तानुवृत्तिर्मनोगतं तत्र कुशलः । प्रसादवित्तो राज-
प्रसादेन ह्यातः । 'वित्तविज्ञातविश्रुताः' इत्यमरः । विशंषेण राजप्रसादभूमिरित्यर्थः ।
यद्वा प्रसादेन वित्तं धनं यस्य । अबाह्योऽभिन्नः । तन्मय इति भावः । अयन्त्रित-
मुखोऽनियतमुखः । बहुभाषीत्यर्थः । 'भङ्गी स्याद्वक्रभाषितम्' इति वैजयन्ती ।
परमर्म परगोप्यम् । परिवादो निन्दा । उत्कोचो गुप्तद्रव्यादिग्रहणम् । दुर्नयानामुपा-
ध्यायोऽध्यापकः । कामतन्त्रे कामशास्त्रे । कर्णधारो नाविकः । कुमारसेवकः
कुमारावस्थायाः प्रभृति सेवकः । कदर्थयन्तो निन्दयन्तः । तथा ह्रीति । प्रेत्य
जन्मान्तरे । 'प्रेत्यामुत्र भवान्ते' इत्यमरः । किलेत्यलीके । अजिनेन चर्मणा ।
अनशनं निराहारम् । पाषण्डिनो शास्त्रविरुद्धाचारः । पटुजातीयः । 'प्रकारवचने
जातीयः' । काकिणी विशद्वराटकाः । 'वराटकानां दशकद्वयं यत्सा काकिणी' इति
भास्कराचार्यः । 'कार्षापणस्तु विज्ञेयस्ताम्रिकः कार्षिकः पणः ।' इति मनुः—इति
भूषणा । कार्षापणम् । 'कार्षापणः कार्षिके स्यात्पणषोडशकेऽपि च' इति विश्वः ।

शरीरमात्रमपि मर्त्यं चक्रवर्तिनं विदधामहि, यद्यस्मदुद्दिष्टेन मार्गेणा-
चयेते ' इति । स पुनरिमान्प्रत्याह—' कोऽसौ मार्गः ' इति । पुनरिमे
ब्रुवते—' ननु चतस्रो राजविद्याः, त्रयी वार्ताऽऽन्वीक्षिका दण्डनीतिरिति ।
तासु तिस्रस्त्रयीवार्तान्वीक्षिकयो महत्यो मन्दफलाश्च । तास्तावदास-
ताम् । अधीष्व तावद्दण्डनीतिम् । इयमिदानीमाचार्यविष्णुगुप्तेन
मौर्यार्थे षड्विः श्लोकसहस्रैः संक्षिप्ता । सैवेयमधीत्य सम्यगनुष्ठाप-
माना यथोक्तकर्मक्षमा ' इति । स ' तथा ' इत्यधीते शृणोति च ।
तत्रैव जरां गच्छति । तत्तु किल शास्त्रं शास्त्रान्तरानुबन्धि । सर्व-
मेव वाङ्मयमविदित्वा न तत्त्वतोऽधिगम्यते । भवतु कालेन बहुनाऽल्पेन
वा तदार्थाधिगतिः । अधिगतशास्त्रेण चादावेव पुत्रदारमपि न विश्वा-
स्यम् । आत्मकुक्षेरपि कृते तण्डुलैरग्निरियानोदनः संपद्यते ।
इयत् ओदनस्य पाकायैतावदिन्धनं पर्याप्तमिति मानोन्मानपूर्वकं देयम् ।

उत्प्रेतेन च राज्ञा क्षालिताक्षालितं मुखं मुष्टमधेमुष्टिं वाऽभ्यन्तरी-
कृत्य कृत्स्नमायव्ययजातमह्नः प्रथमेऽष्टमे भागे श्रोतव्यम् ।
शृण्वत एवास्य द्विगुणमपहरन्ति तेऽध्यक्षधूर्ताः । चत्वारिंशत् चाणक्यो-
पदिष्टानाहरणोपायान्सहस्रत्राऽऽत्मबुद्धयैव ते विकल्पयितारः । द्वितीये-
ऽन्योन्यं विवदमानानां प्रजानामाक्रोशाद्दह्यमानकणः कष्टं जीवति ।
तत्रापि प्राड्विकाकादयः स्वेच्छया जयपराजयौ विदधानाः पापेना-
कीर्त्या च भर्तारमात्मानं चार्थैर्योजयन्ति । तृतीये स्नातुं भोक्तुं च लभते ।
भुक्तस्य यावदन्धःपरिणामस्तावदस्य विषमयं न शाम्यत्येव । चतुर्थे

एकशरीरिणं एकाकिनमित्यर्थः । मर्त्यचक्रवर्तिनं मनुष्यसमूहवर्तिनम् । आचर्यत
आचरतित्यर्थः । तदुक्तं कामन्दके—' आन्वीक्षिक्यात्मविज्ञानं धर्माधर्मौ त्रयीस्थितौ ।
अर्थानर्थौ तु वार्तायां दण्डनीतौ नयानयौ ॥ ' इति । अधीष्व अङ्गीकुर्वित्यर्थः । मौर्यः
चन्द्रगुप्तो नृपः । वाङ्मयं वाग्जालम् । समूहाथे मयद् । ' तुलावच्छेद उन्मनो
मानः प्रस्थादिभिः कृतः ' इति वैजयन्ती । मुष्टयधेमुष्टी परिमाणविशेषौ । ' शुक्तिभ्या
च पलं द्वेयं मुष्टिरष्टमिका तथा ॥ ' ' जनपदाव्ययशोधको मुष्टिः । ग्रामस्य शोधको-
ऽर्धमुष्टिः ' इति भूषणा । अथ वा कृत्स्नानामायव्ययप्रदेशोऽवशिष्टमात्रगणनायुक्तोऽर्ध-
मुष्टिः । कृत्स्नावान्तरस्थलविषय आयादिचतुर्विधगणनायुक्तो मुष्टिः ।—इति
लघुदीपिका । शृण्वत एवेत्यनादरे षष्ठी । आक्रोशात् । ' यः सन्निन्द उपा-
लम्भस्तत्र स्यात्परिभाषणम् । तत्र त्वाक्षारणा यः स्यादाक्रोशो भैशुनं प्रति ' इत्यमरः ।
प्राड्विकाकाः सभ्याः । अन्धःपरिणाम ओदनपरिपाकः । महान्तमायासं कुशम् ।

हिरण्यप्रतिग्रहाय हस्तं प्रसारयन्नेवोत्तिष्ठति । पञ्चमे मन्त्रचिन्तया महान्तमायासमनुभवति । तत्रापि मन्त्रिणो मध्यस्था इवान्योन्यं मिथः संभूय, दोषगुणौ दूतचारवाक्यानि शक्याशक्यतां देशकाल-कार्यावस्थाश्च स्वेच्छया विपरिवर्तयन्तः स्वपरमित्रमण्डलान्युप-जीवन्ति । बाह्याभ्यन्तरांश्च कोपान्गूढमुत्पाद्य प्रकाशं प्रशमयन्त इव स्वामिनमवशमवगृह्णन्ति । षष्ठे स्वैरविहारो मन्त्रो वा सेव्यः । सोऽस्यैतावान्स्वैरविहारकाला यस्य तिस्रस्त्रिपादोत्तरा नाडिकाः । सप्तमे चतुरङ्गबलप्रत्यवेक्षणप्रयासः । अष्टमेऽस्य सेना-पतिसखस्य विक्रमचिन्ताक्लेशः । पुनरुपास्यैव संध्यां प्रथमे रात्रि-भागे गूढपुरुषा द्रष्टव्याः । तन्मुखेन चातिनृशंसाः शस्त्राग्निरसप्रणिधयो-ऽनुष्ठेयाः । द्वितीये भोजनानन्तरं श्रोत्रिय इव स्वाध्यायमारभते । तृतीये तूयेत्रेषेण संविष्टश्चतुर्थपञ्चमौ शयीत किल । कथमिवास्याजस्त-चिन्तायासविह्वलमनसो वराकस्य निद्रासुखमुपनमेत् । पुनः षष्ठे शास्त्राचिन्ताकार्यचिन्तारम्भः । सप्तमे तु मन्त्रग्रहो दूताभिप्रेषणानि च । दूताश्च नामोभयत्र प्रियारूयानलब्धानर्थान्वीतशुल्कबाधवर्त्मनि वाणिज्यया वर्धयन्तः कार्यमविद्यमानमपि लेशेनोत्पाद्यानवरतं भ्रमन्ति ।

मध्यस्थाः मध्यस्थायिनः । 'भाषया 'वकील' पदवाच्याः'—इति भूषणा । संभूय मिलित्वा । चारा गूढदूताः । स्वपरमित्राणां मण्डलम् । 'द्वन्द्वान्ते श्रूयमाणं पदं प्रत्येकं संबध्यते' इति परिभाषया स्वमण्डलं परमण्डलं मित्रमण्डलं वेत्यर्थः । प्रशमयन्तः शान्तिं प्रापयन्तः । नृशंसा घातुकाः । शस्त्रप्रणिधिः शस्त्रमारकः । अग्निप्रणिधिरभिदायकः । रसप्रणिधिर्विषदायकः । 'शृङ्गारादौ विषे वीर्ये गुणे रागे द्रवे रसः' इत्यमरः । संविष्टः कृतशयनः । 'संवेशः शयने स्थाने' इत्यजयः । अजस्रं निरन्तरम् । 'नित्यानवरताजस्रम्' इत्यमरः । विह्वलमनसो व्याकुलचित्तस्य । शास्त्राचिन्ता कार्यचिन्ता चेति । वीता शुल्कबाधा यत्रेति क्रियाविशेषणम् । शुल्कं वाणिज्यकर्मणि राजदेयः करविशेषः । 'घटादिदेयं शुल्कोऽस्त्री' इत्यमरः । 'राजकीय-मित्युक्त्वा बाधामपहरन्ति' इति भूषणा । वाणिज्यया वाणिज्यकर्मणा । अनवरतं निरन्तरम् ।

१ मध्यस्थायिनः. २ स ब्रह्मतां स्वैर. ३ रतेति नास्ति कचित्. ४ चिन्तायासैर्विह्वल-मनसो वा करय. ५ वीतशुल्कं निराबाधय. ६ क्लेशेन.

कृतं वा तैः शास्त्रानुष्ठानम् । तैरपि हि प्रारब्धेषु कार्येषु दृष्टे सिद्धय-
सिद्धी । पठन्तश्चापठद्भिरतिसंधीयमाना बहवः । नन्विदमुपपन्नं देवस्य
यदुत सर्वलोकस्य वन्द्या जातिरयातयामं वयो दर्शनीयं वपुरपरिमाणा
विभूतिः । तत्सर्वं सर्वाविश्वासहेतुना सुखोपभोगप्रतिबन्धिना बहुमार्ग-
विकल्पनात्सर्वकार्येष्वमुक्तसंशयेन तन्त्रावापेनैव मा कृथा वृथा । सन्ति
हि ते दन्तिना दश सहस्राणि हयाना लक्षत्रयमनन्तं च पादातम् ।
अपि च पर्णान्येव हेमरत्नैः कोशगृहाणि । सर्वश्रेष्ठ जीवलोकः समग्र-
मपि युगसहस्रं भुञ्जानो न ते कोष्ठागाराणि रेचयिष्यति । किमिदम-
पर्याप्तं यदन्यार्जितायायासः क्रियते । जीवितं हि नाम जन्मवतां चतुः-
पञ्चाप्यहानि । तत्रापि भोगयोग्यमल्पाल्पं वयःखण्डम् । अपण्डिताः
पुनरर्जयन्त एव ध्वंसन्ते । नार्जितस्य वस्तुनो लवमप्यास्वादयितुमी-
हन्ते । किं बहुना । राज्यभारं भारक्षमेष्वन्तरङ्गेषु भक्तिमत्सु समर्प्य,
अप्सरःप्रतिरूपाभिरन्तःपुरिकाभी रममाणो गीतसंगीतपानगोष्ठीश्च यथर्तु
नग्नन्गर्भाहं कुरु शरीरलामम् ' इति पैञ्चाङ्गस्पृष्टभूमिरञ्जलिचुम्बित-
चूडश्चिरमशेत । प्राहसीच्च प्रीतिफुल्ललोचनोऽन्तःपुरप्रमदाजनः । जन-
नां च सस्मितम्—' उँत्तिष्ठ । ननु हितोपदेशाद्गुरवो भवन्तः । किमिति
गुरुत्वविपरीतमनुष्ठितम् ' इति तमुत्थाप्य क्रीडां निर्भरमतिष्ठत् ।

रम्भेषु । यातः यामः उपभोगकालो यस्य तयातयामं न यातयामं अयातयाममजी-
र्णमित्यर्थः । अपरिमाणेयस्तारहिता । विभूतिरैश्वर्यम् । तन्त्रावापेन । 'तन्त्रं स्वराष्ट्रचिन्ता
स्यादावापस्त्वरिचिन्तनम्' इति कोशः । 'तन्त्रावापो नीतिविचारः' इति भूषणा ।
हीति निष्पद्ये । पदातीनां समूहः पादातं पत्तिसंहतिः । 'भिक्षादिभ्योऽण्' इति अण् ।
कोशगृहाणि भाण्डागाराणि । कोष्ठागाराणि धान्यचयगृहाणि । 'पुंसि कोष्ठोऽन्तर्जठरं
कुसूलोऽन्तर्गृहं तथा' इति कोशः । अन्यार्जितं परकीयम् । वयःखण्डमायुर्लेशम् ।
अपण्डिता नीचजनाः । अन्तःपुरिकाभिः स्त्रीभिः । यथाहम् । वीप्सायां यथाशब्दः ।
पद्माङ्गी पद्मानामङ्गानां समाहारस्तथा । 'द्विगोः' इति ङीप् । 'जानु बाहुद्वयं
मूर्धा पञ्चाङ्गम्' इत्युत्पलिनी । अञ्जलिना चुम्बितः स्पृष्टशूडो मौलिर्येनेति तथा ।

अथैषु दिनेषु भूयोभूयः प्रस्तुतेऽर्थे प्रेर्यमाणो मन्त्रिवृद्धेन वचसा-
ऽभ्युपेत्य मनसैवाचित्तज्ञ इत्यवज्ञातवान् । अथैवं मन्त्रिणो मनस्यभूत-
'अहो मे मोहाद्वालिश्यम् । अरुचितेऽर्थे चोदयन्नर्थीवाक्षिगतोऽहमस्य
हास्यो जातः । स्पष्टमस्य चेष्टानामायथापूर्वम् । तथा हि । न मां
स्निग्धं पश्यति, न स्मितपूर्वं भाषते, न रहस्यानि विवृणोति, न हस्ते
स्पृशति, न व्यसनेष्वनुकम्पते, नोत्सवेष्वनुगृह्णाति, न विलोमनवस्तूनि
प्रेषयति, न मत्सुकृतानि प्रगणयति, न मे गृहवार्ता पृच्छति, न मत्प-
क्ष्यान्प्रत्यवेक्षते, न मामासन्नकार्येष्वभ्यन्तरीकरोति, न मामन्तःपुरं प्रवे-
शयति । अपि च । मामनर्हेषु कर्मसु नियुक्ते, मदासनमभ्यैरवष्टभ्यमान-
मनुजानाति, मद्वैरिषु विश्रम्भं दर्शयति, मदुक्तस्योत्तरं न ददाति,
मत्समानदोषान्विगर्हयति, मर्मणि मामुपहसति, स्वमतमपि मया
वर्ण्यमानं प्रतिक्षिपति, महार्हाणि वस्तूनि मत्प्रहितानि नाभिनन्दति,
नयज्ञानां स्वखलितानि मत्समक्षं मूर्खैरुद्धोषयति । सत्यमाह चाणक्यः
— 'चित्तज्ञानानुवर्तिनोऽनर्थ्या अपि प्रियाः स्युः । दक्षिणा अपि
तद्भावबहिष्कृता द्वेष्या भवेयुः' इति । तथाऽपि का गतिः । अविनीतोऽपि
न परित्याज्यः पितृपैतामहैरस्मादृशैरयमाधिपतिः । अपरित्यजन्तोऽपि
कमुपकारमश्रूयमाणवाचः कुर्मः । सर्वथा नयज्ञस्य वसन्तभानो-
रश्मकेन्द्रस्य हस्ते राज्यमिदं पतितम् । अपि नामापदो माविन्यः
प्रकृतिस्थमेनमापादयेयुः । अनर्थेषु सुलभं व्यलीकेषु कचिदुत्पन्नोऽपि
द्वेषः सद्बृत्तमस्मै न रोचयेत् । भवतु । भविता तावदनर्थः । स्तम्भित-
पिशुनजिह्वो यथाकथंचिदभ्रष्टपदस्तिष्ठेयम् ' इति ।

प्रस्तुतेऽर्थे प्रवृत्ते कार्ये । अक्षिगतो द्वेष्यः । 'द्वेषोऽक्षिगत उच्यते' इति इलायुधः ।
विलोमनवस्तूनि दानवस्तूनि । 'आदरणीयवस्तूनि' इति लघुदीपिका । मत्पक्ष्या-
न्मदीयपक्षवर्तिनः । अवष्टभ्यमानमाक्रम्यमाणम् । प्रतिक्षिपति अवगणयति । नयज्ञानां
नीतिविदाम् । चाणक्यो नीतिशास्त्रकर्ता । चित्तज्ञानमनुवर्तन्ते ते तथा । दक्षिणाः
सरला अपि । तस्य चित्तस्य भावस्तद्विष्कृताः । द्वेष्या वैरिणः । अविनीतोऽप्यस्यु-
द्धतोऽपि । अपरित्यजन्त आश्रयन्तः । कमुपकारं प्रयोजनादिकम् । कर्मचयमित्यध्या-
हारः । क्रिविधाः । अश्रूयमाणवाचः । सुलभं व्यलीकं पीडा येषु । 'पीडायांऽपि व्यलीकं
स्यात्' इत्यमरः । स्तम्भिता स्तम्भे प्रापिता । पिशुनाः खलाः । अभ्रष्टपदोऽगताधिकारः ।

१ अनुचिते. २ अनर्थाः. ३ पितृपितामहानुयातेः. ४ अस्माकमुपसेवितमिदं राजकुलमी-
दृशशायमाधिपतिः. ५ सुलभालीकेषु.

एवंगते मन्त्रिणि राजनि च कामवृत्ते चन्द्रपालितो नामाश्मके-
न्द्रामात्यस्येन्द्रपालितस्य सूनुरसद्वृत्तः पितृनिर्वासितो नाम भूत्वा
बहुभिश्चारणगणैर्बह्वीभिरनल्पकौशलाभिः शिल्पकारिणीभिरनेकच्छत्र-
किंकरैश्च गूढपुरुषैः परिवृतोऽभ्येत्य विविधाभिः क्रीडाभिर्विहारमद्र-
माश्मसादकरोत् । अमुना चैव संक्रमेण राजन्यास्पदमलभत ।
लब्धरन्ध्रश्च स यद्यद्व्यसनमारमते तत्तथेत्यवर्णयत्—‘ देव, यथा
मृगया ह्यौपकारिकी न तथाऽन्यत् । अत्र हि व्यायामोत्कर्षादापत्सूप-
क्तो दीर्घाध्वलङ्घनक्षमो जङ्घाजवः, कफापचयादारोग्यैकमूलमाशयाभि-
दीप्तिः, मेदोपकर्षादङ्गानां स्थैर्यकार्कश्यातिलाघवादीनि, शीतोष्णवात-
वर्षक्षुत्पिपासासहत्वं, सत्त्वानामवस्थान्तरेषु चित्तचेष्टितज्ञानं, हरिण-
गवलगवयादिवधेन सस्यलोपप्रतिक्रिया, वृकव्याघ्रादिघातेन स्थलपथ-
शल्यशोधनं, शैलाटवीप्रदेशानां विविधकर्मक्षमाणामालोचनम्, आटविक-
वर्गविश्रम्भणम्, उत्साहशक्तिसंधुक्षणेन प्रत्यनीकवित्रासनमिति बहु-
तमा गुणाः । द्यूतेऽपि द्रव्यराशेस्तृणवत्यागादनुपमानमाशयौदार्यं,
जगत्पराङ्मननस्थानाद्बर्षविपादयोरविधेयत्वं, पौरुषैकनिमित्तस्यामर्षस्य

चारणगणैर्गायकसमूहेः । ‘ चारणो गायकः समो ’ इति वैजयन्ती । शिल्पकारिणी-
भिश्चित्रकारिणीभिः ‘ आस्पद प्रतिष्ठाप्रयोजकं स्थानम् । व्यसनम् । ‘ यस्माद्धि
व्यस्यति श्रेयस्ततो व्यसनमुच्यते ’ इति कामन्दकः । ‘ स्त्रियोऽक्षा मृगया पानं
वाक्पास्त्यार्थदूषणे । दण्डपास्त्यमित्येतन्महव्यसनसप्तकम् ॥ ’ इति वैजयन्ती ।
मृगया पापद्धिः । औपकारिक्युपकारायार्हः सा तथा । व्यायामो द्विण्डनम् । कफः
श्लेष्मा । मेदोपकर्षात् । मेदो घातुः । ‘ मेदे वृद्धयभावानङ्गानि लघूनि भवन्ति ’ इति
वैद्यकम् । स्थैर्यं कर्मसहत्वम् । वर्षो वृष्टिः । सत्त्वानां प्राणिनाम् । चित्तस्य
मनसः । चेष्टितस्य तत्क्रियायाश्च । गवलोऽरप्यमहिपः । गवयो गोमदशः पशुः ।
‘ गवयः स्याद्वनगवो गोसदृक्षोऽश्ववारणः ’ इत्यभिधानचिन्तामणिः । वृक
ईहामृगः । ‘ कोक ईहामृगो वृकः ’ इत्यमरः । भाषया ‘ विक ’ इति प्रसिद्धः ।
अटव्या चरन्ति ते आटविकाः । विश्रम्भणं विश्वासोत्पादनम् । अत्र
शाकुन्तलम्—‘ मेदश्छेदकृशोदरं लघु भवत्युत्थानयोग्यं वपुः सत्त्वानामपि लक्ष्यते
विकृतिमच्चित्तं भयक्रोधयोः । उत्कर्षः स च धन्विनां यद्विषवः सिध्यन्ति लक्ष्ये चछे
मिथ्यैव व्यसनं वदन्ति मृगयामीहृद्विनोदः कुतः ॥ ’ इति । द्यूतेऽपीति । आशयौदार्यं

वृद्धेः, अक्षहस्तभूम्यादंगाचराणामत्यन्तदुरुपलक्ष्याणां कूटकर्मणानुप-
लक्षणादनन्तबुद्धिर्नैपुण्यम्, एकविषयोपसंहाराच्चित्तस्यातिचित्रमैकाग्र्यम्,
अध्यवसायसहचरेषु साहसेर्ष्वतिरतिः, अतिकर्कशपुरुषप्रतिसंसर्गादनन्य-
धर्षणीयता, मानावधारणम्, अकृपणं च शरीरयापनमिति । उत्त-
माङ्गनोपभोगेऽप्यर्थधर्मयोः सफलीकरणं, पुष्कलः पुरुषाभिमानः,
भावज्ञानकौशलम्, अलोभक्लिष्टमात्रेष्टितम्, अखिलासु कलासु वैचक्षण्यम्,
अलब्धोपलब्धिलब्धानुरक्षणरक्षितोपभोगभुक्तानुसंधानरुष्टानुनयादिष्वज-
स्रमभ्युपायरचनया बुद्धिवाचोः पाठवम्, उत्कृष्टशरीरसंस्कारात्सुमग-
वेषतया लोकसंभावन्यता, परं सुहृत्प्रियत्वम्, गरीयसी परि-
जनव्यपेक्षा, स्मितपूर्वाभिभाषित्वम्, उद्विक्तसत्त्वता, दाक्षिण्यानुवर्त-
नम्, अपत्योत्पादनेनोभयलोकश्रेयस्करत्वमिति । पानेऽपि नाना-
विधरोगमङ्गपटीयसामासवानामासेवनात्सृहणीयवयोऽर्द्धस्थापनम्, अहं-
कारप्रकर्षादिशेषदुःखतिरस्करणम्, अङ्गजरागदीपनादङ्गनोपभोग-
शक्तिसंधुक्षणम्, अपराधप्रमार्जनान्मनैःशल्योन्मार्जनम्, अंशाढ्य-
शंसिभिरनर्गलप्रलापैर्विश्वासोपबृंहणं, मत्सराननुबन्धादानन्दक-
तानता, शब्दादीनामिन्द्रियार्थानां सातत्येनानुभवः, संविमर्शः

चित्तौदार्यम् । कूटकर्मणाम् कपटकर्मणाम् । उपलक्षणात् ज्ञानात् । अनन्तमग धम् । एक-
विषयोपसंहारात्तदेकवृत्तित्वात् । ऐकाग्र्यमेकाग्रस्य भावस्थया । अध्यवसाय उद्योगः
तस्य सहचरेषु तन्निष्ठेषु । साहसमद्भुतं कर्म । अतिरतिः प्रीतिः । प्रतिसंसर्गः
प्रत्यवस्थानम् । धर्षणीयताऽभिभवनीयत्वम् । 'मान वधारणमभिमान नैश्वर्यः' इति
भूषणा । पुष्कलः श्रेयान् । 'श्रेयःश्रेष्ठः पुष्कलः स्यात्' इत्यमरः । आर्वाश्चत्तगमिप्रादः ।
तस्यै ज्ञानम् । ज्ञानं ग्रन्थादिविषयम् । अलब्धापलब्धिरप्राप्तप्राप्तिः । लब्धे नुरक्षणं
प्राप्तस्य पालनम् । भुक्तानुसंधानं भुक्तस्मृतेः । रुष्टस्यानुनयः क्रुद्धस्य रमाधानम् ।
बुद्धिवाचोर्मतिवचनयोः । पाठवं पठुत्वम् । उत्कृष्टो यः शरीरसंस्कारः । पानेऽपीति ।
आसवानां मद्यानाम् । अङ्गजो मदनः । राग इच्छ । दीपनं वृद्धिः । संधुक्षण-
मुद्योतनम् । उन्मार्जनमुद्धरणम् । अनर्गला यथेष्टा ये प्रलापा अनर्थकवचनानि तैः ।
मत्सरस्याननुबन्धादधारणात् । एकतानता । तत्परतेत्यर्थः । 'एकतानोऽनन्य-
वृत्तिः' इत्यमरः । सततस्य भावः सातत्यम् । 'पानसमये आगतेभ्यो दीयन्त आसवाः'

१ अभिरतिः, २ धीरणम्, ३ नीयनया, ४ वयोव्यवस्था, ५ मानशल्य, ६ उन्मूलनम्,
७ अभ्राव्य,

शीलतया मुहूर्द्धगसंवर्गणम्, अनुपमानमङ्गलावप्यम्, अनुत्तराणि
 विलसितानि, भयार्तिहरणाच्च सांग्रामिकत्वमिति । वाक्पारुष्यं
 दण्डो दारुणो दूषणानि चार्थानामेव यथावकाशमौपकारिकाणि ;
 न हि मुनिरिव नरपतिरुपशमरतिरभिभवितुमरिकुलमलम्, अवलम्बितुं
 च लोकतन्त्रम्' इति । असावपि गुरूपदेशमिवात्यादरेण तस्य मत-
 मन्ववर्तत । तच्छीलानुसारिण्यश्च प्रकृतयो विशृङ्खलमसेवन्त व्यसनानि ।
 सर्वश्च समानदोषतया न कस्यचिच्छिद्धान्वेषणायायतिष्ठ । समानभर्तृ-
 प्रकृतयस्तन्त्राध्यक्षाः स्वानि कर्मफलान्यभक्षयन् । ततः क्रमादाय-
 द्वाराणि व्यशीर्यन्त । व्ययमुखानि विटविधेयैतया विभोरहरहर्व्यवर्धन्त ।
 सामन्तपौरजानपदमुख्याश्च समानशीलतयोपारूढविश्रम्भेण राज्ञा
 सैजानयः पानगोष्ठीष्वभ्यन्तरीकृताः स्वं स्वमाचारमत्यचारिषुः ।
 तदङ्गनासु चानेकापदेशपूर्वमपाचरन्नेन्द्रः । तदन्तःपुरेषु चामी भिन्न-
 वृत्तेषु मन्दत्रासा बहुमुखैरवर्तन्त । सर्वश्च कुलाङ्गनाजनः पांसुलजैनभङ्गि-
 भाषणरतो भग्नचारित्र्यन्त्रणस्तृणायापि न गणयित्वा भर्तृन्धातृ-
 गणमन्त्रणान्यशृणोत् । तन्मूलाश्च कलहाः सामर्षाणामुदभवन् ।
 अहंन्यन्त दुर्बला बलिभिः । अपहतानि धनवतां धनानि तस्करादिभिः ।
 अपहृतैरपरिमृतयः प्रहताश्च पातकपथाः । हतबान्धवा हृतवित्ता वध-

इति संप्रदायवशादत्र विभागशीलता' इति भूषणा । संवर्गणं संयोजनं एकीकरणमित्यर्थः ।
 अनुपमानमसदृशम् । संग्रामे साधु सांग्रामिकम् । औपकारिकाभ्युपकारक्षमाणि ।
 उपशमः शान्तिः । लोकतन्त्रं प्रजाशासनाधिकारम् । प्रकृतयः प्रजाः । विशृङ्खलं
 बन्धशून्यम् । छिद्धान्वेषणाय । दोषगवेषणायेत्यर्थः । तन्त्राध्यक्षाः सेनापतयः ।
 कर्मफलानि तत्तत्कर्मणि लब्धानि राजधनानि । आयद्वाराभ्यागमनोपायाः । व्यशी-
 र्यन्त भग्नानि । व्ययमुखानि व्ययद्वाराणि । विटस्य विज्ञस्य । विधेयतया विनय-
 प्राहितया । 'विधेयो विनयप्राप्ती' इत्यमरः । 'वैधेयतया' इति पाठे बालिशतया ।
 'मुखैर्वैधेयबालिशाः' इत्यमरः । अहरहः प्रतिदिनसम् । सजानयः सखीकाः । 'जायाया
 निङ्' इति समासान्तः । पानगोष्ठी मणशाला । अत्यचारिपुरतिक्रमयामासुः ।
 मन्दत्रासाः । निर्भया इत्यर्थः । भङ्गिभाषणं वक्रोक्तयः । धातृणां गणाः जारसमूहाः ।
 'धाता जारे विधातरि' इत्यजयः । सामर्षाणां तच्चेष्टितान्यसहमानानाम् ।

बन्धातुराश्च मुक्तकण्ठमाक्रोशन्नश्रुकण्ठयः प्रजाः । दण्डश्चायथाप्रणीतो
मयक्रोधावजनयत् । कृशकुटुम्बेषु लोमः पदमधत्त । विमानिताश्च
तेजस्विनो मानेनादह्यन्त । तेषु तेषु चाकृत्येषु प्रासरन्परोपजापाः ।
तदा च मृगयुवेषमृगबाहुल्यवर्णनेनाद्रिद्रोणीरनपसारमार्गाः शुष्कतृण-
वंशगुल्माः प्रवेश्य द्वारतोऽग्निविसर्गैः, व्याघ्रादिवधे प्रोत्साह्य तन्मुख-
पातनैः, इष्टकूपतृणोत्पादनेनातिदूरहारितानां प्राणहारिभिः क्षुत्पिपासा-
भिवर्धनैः, तृणगुल्मगूढच्छन्नतटप्रदरपातहेतुभिर्विषममार्गप्रधावनैः, विष-
मुत्तीभिः क्षुरिकाभिश्चरणकण्टकोद्धरणैः, विष्वग्विसरविच्छिन्नानुयातृ-
तथैकाकीकृतानां यथेष्टघातनैः, मृगदेहापराद्धैर्नामेषुमोक्षणैः, सपणबन्ध-
मधिरुह्याद्रिशृङ्गाणि दुरधिरोहाप्यनन्यलक्ष्यैः प्रभ्रंशनैः, आटविकच्छन्नानां
विपिनेषु विरलसैनिकानां प्रतिरोधनैः, अक्षद्यूतपक्षियुद्धयात्रोत्सवादि-
संकुलेषु बलवदनुप्रवेशनैरतिरेषां हिंसोत्पादनैः, गूढोत्पादितव्यलीके-
भ्योऽप्रियाणि प्रकाशं लब्ध्वा साक्षिषु तद्विरुद्धाप्याकीर्तिगुप्तिहेतुभिः
पराक्रमैः, परकलत्रेषु सुहृत्त्वेनाभियोज्य जारान्भर्तृनुमयं वा प्रहृत्य
तत्साहसोपन्यासैः, योगेनारीहारितानां संकेतेषु प्रागुपनिर्णयपेक्षादिभि-
द्रुत्याकीर्तनीयैः प्रमाणैः, उपप्रलोभ्य बिलप्रवेशेषु निधानस्वननेषु

परिभूतिः परिभः । अश्रुकण्ठयः गत्रदवाचः इत्यर्थः । परोपजापाः शत्रुप्रयुक्ता भेदाः ।
‘‘द्रिद्रोणी गिरिमध्यपद्धतिः । अनपसारमार्गा अनिर्याणमार्गाः । वंशगुल्मा वेणुगहनानि
अग्निविसर्गैरग्निदानैः । प्रोत्साह्य प्रेरयित्वा । तट उन्नतप्रदेशे । प्रदरो निम्नगो भागः ।
विषममार्गः कठिनमार्गः । क्षुरिकाः शस्त्रिकाः । विसरः समुदायः । ‘समूहे निवह्व्यूह-
संदोहविसरव्रजाः’ इत्यमरः । विष्वक् सर्वतो यो विसरः प्रचारस्तेन विच्छिन्ना
अनुयातारो येषां तेषां भावस्तत्ता तथा । अनुयाताऽनुगामी । अपराद्धो लक्ष्यच्युतः ।
इषुमोक्षणेर्बाणपातनैः । सपणबन्धं सनियमम् । अटवीमटन्ति त आटविकाः । तेषां
छन्नानां तन्मिषेण । तत्कृतानीति प्राहयित्वेत्यर्थः । व्यलीकं दुःखम् । ‘तत्साहसं नरसाह-
सम्’ इति भूषणा । योगा नारा । ‘योगो विसृज्यघाती स्यात्’ इति कोषः । ‘योगा मध्येयनं
स्थिता । शतात्परं सहस्राधिगावतत्पुरुषायिता’ इति वैजयन्ती । मध्येयनमिति मार्गमन्त्रे
इत्यर्थः इति लघुदी० । प्राक्प्रथमम् । उपनिर्णय लीनतां प्राप्येत्यर्थः । प्रमाणैः हिंसनैः ।

मन्त्रसाधनेषु च विघ्नव्याजसाध्नैर्व्यापादनैः, मत्तगजाधिरोहणाय प्रेर्य प्रत्यपायनिवर्तनेः, व्यालहस्तिनं कोपयित्वा लक्ष्मीकृतमुख्यमण्डलेष्वपक्रमणैः, दायाद्यर्थे विवदमानानुपांशु हत्वा प्रतिपक्षेष्वयशःपातनैः, सामन्तपुरजनपदेष्वयथावृत्तानप्रकाशमभिप्रहृत्य तद्वैरिनामघोषणैः, योगाङ्गनाभिरहर्निशमभिरमय्य राजयक्षमोत्पादनैः, वस्त्राभरणमालयाङ्गरागादिषु रसविधानकौशलैः, चिकित्सामुखेनामयोपेवृंहणैरन्यैश्चाभ्युपायैरश्मकेन्द्रप्रयुक्तास्तीक्ष्णरसदादयः प्रक्षपितप्रवीरमनन्तवर्मकटकं जर्जरमकुर्वन् ।

अथ वसन्तमानुर्मानुवर्माणं नाम वानवास्यं प्रोत्साह्यानन्तवर्मणा व्यग्राहयत् । तत्परां मृष्टराष्ट्रपर्यन्तश्चानन्तवर्मा तमभियोक्तुं बलसमुत्थानमकरोत् । सर्वसामन्तेभ्यश्चाश्मकेन्द्रः प्रागुपेत्यास्य प्रियतरोऽभूत् । अपरेऽपि सामन्ताः समगंसत । गत्वा चाभ्यर्णे नर्मदारोधासि न्यविशन् । तस्मिंश्चावसरे महासामन्तस्य कुन्तलपतेरवन्तिदेवस्यात्मनाटकीयां क्षमातलोर्वशीं नाम चन्द्रपालितादिभिरतिप्रशस्तनृत्यकौशलामाहूयानन्तवर्मा नृत्यमद्राक्षीत् । अतिरक्तश्च भुक्तवानिमां मधुमत्ताम् । अश्मकेन्द्रस्तु कुन्तलपतिमेकान्ते समभ्यधत्—‘प्रमत्त एष राज्ञो कलत्राणि नः परामृशति । कियत्यवज्ञा सोढव्या । मम

प्रेर्य प्रोत्साह्य । प्रत्यपायानां नाशप्रतिबन्धकानामुपायानां निवर्तनैर्हि सोत्पादनैरित्यर्थः । प्रत्यवायनिवर्तनैरिति पाठे प्रत्यवायो नाशस्तत्संपादनैः । व्यालहस्तिनं दुष्टदन्तिनम् । ‘व्यालो दुष्टगजः प्रोक्तः’ इति हलायुधः । लक्ष्मीकृतानि मुख्यानां प्रधानपुरुषाणां मण्डलानि तेष्वापक्रमणैर्मोचनैः । अक्रमणैरिति पाठेऽक्रमणल्लैः । ‘पणो वराटमाने स्यान्मूल्ये कार्षापणे गलहे’ इति विश्वः । उपांशु रइसि । घोषणैर्हिण्डिमैः । अहर्निशं रात्रिदिवम् । राजयक्षा क्षयरोगः । रसविधानं विषाधानम् । आमयो रोगः । उपेवृंहणं वर्धनम् । ‘तीक्ष्णा मर्मणि घातकाः’ इति वैजयन्ती । अथेति । वानवास्यम् । ‘वानवास्यो वनप्रभुः’ इति कोशः । प्रोत्साह्य रणोत्साहं वर्धयित्वा । तेन षागृष्टोऽभिद्रुतो राष्ट्रपर्यन्तो राष्ट्रप्रान्तभागो यस्य । अभियोक्तुं पराभावितुम् । समगंसत । ‘गम्ल् गतौ’ । समुपसर्गः । लुङ् । ‘समो गम्यृच्छिभ्याम्’ इत्यात्मनेपदम् । मिलिता इत्यर्थः । अभ्यर्णे समीपे । आत्मनाटकीयां स्वीयनृत्याङ्गनाम् । संभूय मिलित्वा ।

१ प्रत्यवायनिवर्तनैः, २ अक्रमणैः, ३ योग्या, ४ रमधान, ५ उपवर्हणैः, ६ चाभ्यगति.

७ वधुत्तमाम्,

शतमस्ति हस्तिनां पञ्चशतानि च ते । तदावां संभूय मुरलेशं वीरसेन-
भृषीकेशमेकवीरं कोङ्कणपतिं कुमारगुप्तं नासिक्यनाथं च नागपाल-
मुपजपाव । ते चावश्यमस्याविनयमसहमाना अस्मन्मतेनैवोपावर्तेरन् ।
अयं च वानवास्यः प्रियं मे मित्रम् । अमुनैनं दुर्विनीतमग्रतो व्यतिषक्तं
पृष्ठतः प्राहरेम । कोशवाहनं च विभज्य गृह्णीमः' इति । हृष्टेन चामुना-
ऽभ्युपेते विंशतिं वरांशुकानां पञ्चविंशतिं काञ्चनकुङ्कुमकम्बलानां
प्राभृतीकृत्याप्तमुत्तेन तैः सामन्तैः संमन्त्र्य तानपि स्वमतावस्थापयत् ।
उत्तरेद्युस्तेषां सामन्तानां वानवास्यस्य चानन्तवर्मा नयद्वेषादामिषत्व-
मगमत् । वसन्तमानुश्च तत्कोशवाहनमवशीर्णमात्मधिष्ठितमेव कृत्वा
यथाबलं च विभज्य गृह्णीत । युष्मदनुज्ञया येन केनचिदंशेनाहं तु-
ष्यामि' इति शाठ्यात्सर्वानुवर्ती तेनैवामिषेण निमिच्छीकृतेनोत्पादित-
कलहः सर्वसामन्तानध्वंसयत् । तदीयं च सर्वस्वं स्वयमेवाग्रसत् । वान-
वास्यं केनचिदंशेनानुगृह्य प्रत्यावृत्य सर्वमनन्तवर्मराज्यमात्मसादकरोत् ।

अस्मिन्श्चान्तरे मन्त्रिवृद्धो वसुरक्षितः कैश्चिन्मौलैः संभूय बालमेनं
भास्करवर्मणमस्यैव ज्यायसीं भगिनीं त्रयोदशवर्षा गञ्जुवादिनीमनयोश्च
मातरं महादेवीं वसुंधरामादायापसपेन्नापदोऽस्या भावितया दाहज्वरेण
देहमजहात् । अस्मादृशैर्मित्रैस्तु नीत्वा माहिष्मतीं भर्तृद्वैमातुराय
भ्रात्रे मित्रवर्मणे सापत्या देवी दर्शिताऽभूत् । तां चायामनार्योऽसावन्यथा-
ऽभ्यमन्यत । निर्भर्त्सितश्च तया ' सुतमियमखण्डचारित्रा राज्याहं
निकीर्षति' इति नैर्वृण्यात्तमेनं बालमजिघांसीत् । इदं तु ज्ञात्वा देव्या-
ऽहमाज्ञप्तः—' तात नालीजङ्घ जीवताऽनेनार्भकेण यत्र कचिदवधाय

व्यतिषक्तं युद्धव्यापृतम् । वरांशुकानि बहुमूल्यवस्त्राणि । प्राभृतीकृत्योपायनीकृत्य ।
आप्ताः विश्वस्ताः । हितैषिण इत्यर्थः । नयद्वेषास्त्रीतिमार्गाननुसरणात् । अवशीर्णं विष्व-
स्तम् । यथाबलं स्वस्वबलानुरूपम् । आमिषेण प्रलोभनद्वयेण । अस्मिन्निति । मौलैः
कुलक्रमागतेः प्रधानपुरुषैः । अपसर्पन्निर्गच्छन् । द्वैमातुराय सापत्नभ्रात्र इत्यर्थः ।
द्वयोर्मात्रोरपत्यं द्वैमातुरः । ' मातुस्संख्यासंभद्रपूर्वायाः' इति आणि उत्वं
रपरत्वं च । अखण्डचारित्राऽभ्रष्टचारित्रा सतीत्यर्थः । राज्याहं राज्याधिकारिणम् ।

१ ऋषीके०. २ उपजपावः. ३ परम्. ४ यथाप्रयासं यथाबलम्. ५ निमिच्छीकृत्य.
६ अवसरे. ७ अस्मन्मित्रैस्तु. ८ अजिघांसत्. ९ अवस्थाय.

जीव । जीवेयं चेदहमप्येनमनुसरिष्यामि । ज्ञापय मां क्षेमप्रवृत्तः स्व-
वार्ताम्' इति । अहं तु संकुले राजकुले कथंचिदेनं निर्गमय्य विन्ध्याटवीं
व्यगाहिषि । पादचारदुःखितं चैनमाश्वासयितुं घोषे कचिदहानि कानिचि-
द्विश्रमय्य तत्रापि राजपुरुषसंपातमीतो दूराध्वमपासरम् । तत्रास्य दारुण-
पिपासापीडितस्य वारि दातुकामः कूपेऽस्मिन्नपभ्रश्य पतितस्त्वयैवमनु-
गृहीतः । त्वमेवास्यातः शरणमेधि विशरणस्य राजसूनोः' इत्यञ्जलि-
मबध्नात् । ' किमीयां जात्याऽस्य माता ' इत्यनुयुक्ते मयाऽमुनोक्तम्—
' पाटलिपुत्रस्य वणिजो वैश्रवणस्य दुहितरि सागरदत्तायां कोसले-
न्द्रात्कुसुमधन्वनीऽस्य माता जाता ' इति । ' यद्येवमेतन्मातुर्मत्पितुश्चैको
मातामहः ' इति सस्नेहं तमहं सस्वजे । वृद्धेनोक्तम्— ' सिन्धुदत्तो-
पुत्राणां कतमस्ते पिता ' इति । ' सुश्रुतः ' इत्युक्ते सोऽप्यहृष्यत् ।
अहं तु ' तं नैयावलितमश्मक्रेन्द्रं नयेनैवोन्मूल्य बालमेनं पित्र्ये पदे
प्रतिष्ठापयेयम् ' इति प्रतिज्ञाय ' कथमस्यैनां क्षुधं क्षपयेयम् ' इत्यचि-
तन्यम् । तावदापतितौ च कस्यापि व्याधस्य त्रीनिषूनतित्य द्वौ मृगौ
स च व्याधः । तस्य हस्तादवशिष्टमिषुद्वयं कोदण्डं चाक्षिप्या-
न्निष्कृलाकृत्य सपत्राकृतोऽन्यश्च निष्पत्राकृतोऽपतत् । तं चैकं मृगं
दत्त्वा मृगयवे, अन्यस्यापलोमत्वचः क्लोमापोह्य निष्कुलाकृत्य विकृ-
त्योर्वस्थिग्रीवादीनि शूलाकृत्य दावाङ्गारेषु तप्तेनामिषेण तयोरात्मनश्च

पादचारिणं चरणगामिनम् । घोषे आभीरात्पग्रामे । ' घोष आभीरपल्ली स्यात् ' इत्यमरः । दूराध्वं दूरमार्गम् । पिपासा तृषा । विशरणस्य शरणरहितस्य । कस्येयं किमीया । पित्र्ये पदे पितुः स्याने । सपत्राकृतः पत्रेण सह विद्धः । ' बाहने तु च्छदे पत्रम् ' इति भागुरिः । ' सपत्रनिष्पत्रादतिव्यथने ' इति डाच् । अन्यो द्वितीयो निष्पत्राकृतः । मृगयवे लुब्धकाय । अपलोम रोमशून्यम् । त्वचश्चर्मणः । क्लोम मस्तिष्कम् । ' तिलकं क्लोम मस्तिष्कम् ' इत्यमरः । निष्कुलाकृत्य निष्कोष्य । ' निष्कुलान्निःकोषणे ' इति डाच् । विकृत्य विच्छेद्य । शूलाकृत्य शूले कृत्वा । शूलेन पात्रयित्वेत्यर्थः । ' शूलात्पाके ' इति डाच् । दावाङ्गारेषु वनवह्निषु । तप्तेन भर्जितेन । आमिषेण मासेन ।

१ जीवेः. २ दुःखितं; पादचारिणं. ३ दूरध्वमपरन्तत्रास्य. ४ किमीयोऽयमित्यनुयुक्ते.
५ बन्ध. ६ दुर्नयाव. ७ अवधिषम ८ कश्चि.

क्षुधमर्त्यतार्षम् । एतस्मिन्कर्मणि मत्सौष्ठवेनातिदृष्टं किरातमास्मि
पृष्टवान्—‘ अपि जानासि माहिष्मतीवृत्तान्तम् ’ इति । असावाचष्ट—
‘ तत्र व्याघ्रत्वचो दृतीश्च विक्रीयाद्यैवागतः । किं न जानामि ।
प्रचण्डवर्मा नाम चण्डवर्मानुजो मित्रवर्मदुहितरं मञ्जुवादिनीं विलिप्सु-
रम्येतीति तेनोत्सवोत्तरा पुरी ’ इति । अथ कर्णे जीर्णमब्रवम्—
‘ धूर्तो मित्रवर्मा दुहितरि सम्यक्प्रतिपत्त्या मातरं विश्वास्य तन्मुखेन
प्रत्याकृष्य बालकं जिघांसति । तत्प्रतिगत्य कुशलमस्य मद्भारतां च
देव्यै रहो निवेद्य पुनः कुमारः शार्दूलमक्षित इति प्रकाशमाक्रोशनं
कार्यम् । स दुर्मतिरन्तःप्रीतो बहिर्दुःखं दर्शयन्देवीमनुनेष्यति ।
पुनस्त्वया तन्मुखेन स वाच्यः—‘ यदपेक्षया त्वन्मतमत्यक्रमिषं
सोऽपि बालः पापेन मे परलोकमगात् । अद्य तु त्वदादेशकारिण्येवा-
हम् ’ इति । स तथोक्तः प्रीतिं प्रतिपद्याभिपत्स्यति । पुनरनेन
वत्सनामनाम्ना महाविषेण संनीयं तोयं तत्र मालां मज्जयित्वा तथा स
वक्षसि मुखे च हन्तव्यः । ‘ स एवायमसिप्रहारः पापीयसस्तव भवतु
यद्यस्मि पतिव्रता ’ इति । पुनरनेनागदेन संगमितेऽम्पसि तां मालां
मज्जयित्वा स्वदुहित्रे देया । मृते तु तस्मिंस्तस्यां च निर्विकारायां
स्त्यां सतीत्येवैनां प्रकृतयोऽनुवर्तिष्यन्ते । पुनः प्रचण्डवर्मणे संदे-
श्यम्—‘ अनायकमिदं राज्यम् । अनेनैव सह बालिकेयं स्वीकर्तव्या ’
इति । तावदावां कापालिकवेषच्छन्नौ देव्यैव दीयमानभिक्षौ पुरो

अस्यतार्षमतिक्रान्तवान् । व्याघ्रत्वचो व्याघ्रचर्माणि । दृतीश्वर्मपुटानि । ‘ दृतिभिश्च-
तनीयम्भञ्जी चापि स्त्रियः समाः ’ इति कोशः । उत्सवोत्तरोत्सवपूर्णा । जीर्णं वृद्धम् ।
सम्यक्प्रतिपत्त्योचिताचरणेन । आक्रोशनमाक्षारणा । अभिपत्स्यत्यङ्गीकरिष्यति । वत्स-
नाभः । ‘ वत्सनाग ’ इति ह्ययातः । संनीय संमिश्र्य । तथा मालया । अगदेनौषधेन ।
तस्यां स्वदुहितरि । निर्विकारायां विकारशून्यायाम् । प्रकृतयः प्रजाः । संदेश्यम्
कथनीयमित्यर्थः । कापालिको व्रतधारी । पुरो बहिः । नगराद्बहिरित्यर्थः

बहिरूपश्मशानं वत्स्यावः । पुनरार्यप्रायान्पौरवृद्धानाप्ताश्च मन्त्रिवृद्धान-
कान्ते ब्रवीतु देवी!—‘स्वप्नेऽद्य मे देव्या विन्ध्यवासिन्या कृतः प्रसादः ।
अद्य चतुर्थेऽहनि प्रचण्डवर्मा मरिष्यति । पञ्चमेऽहनि रेवातटवर्तिनि
मद्भवने परीक्ष्य वैजन्यं जनेषु निर्गतेषु कपाटमुद्धाट्य त्वत्सुतेन सह
कोऽपि द्विजकुमारो निर्यास्यति । स राज्यमिदमनुपाल्य बालं ते प्रति-
ष्ठापयिष्यति । स खलु बालो मया व्याघ्रीरूपया तिरस्कृत्य स्थापितः ।
सा चेयं वत्सा मञ्जुवादिनी तस्य द्विजातिदारकस्य दारत्वेनैव कल्पिता’
इति । तदेतदतिरहस्यं युष्मास्वेव गुप्तं तिष्ठतु यावदेतदुपपत्स्यते’ इति ।
त सांप्रतमतिप्रीतः प्रयातोऽर्थश्चायं यथाचिन्तितमनुष्ठितोऽभूत् । प्रति-
दिशं च लोकवादः प्राप्तवत्—‘अहो माहात्म्यं पतिव्रतानाम् । असि-
प्रहार एव हि स मालाप्रहारस्तस्मिज्जातः । न शक्यमुपधियुक्तमेतत्क-
मेति वक्तुं यतस्तदेव दत्तं दाम दुहित्रे स्तनमण्डनमेव तस्यै जातं, न
मृत्युः । योऽस्याः पतिव्रतायाः शासनमतिवर्तते स भस्मैव भवेत्’ इति ।

—अथ नहोव्रतिवेषेण मां च पुत्रं च भिक्षायै प्रविष्टौ दृष्ट्वा प्रस्तुत-
स्तनी प्रत्युत्थाय हर्षाकुलमब्रवीत्—‘भगवन्, अयमञ्जलिः ।
अनाथोऽयं जनोऽनुगृह्यताम् । अस्ति ममैकः स्वप्नः स किं सत्यो
न वा’ इति । मयोक्तम्—‘फलमस्याद्यैव द्रक्ष्यसि’ इति । ‘यद्येवं
बहु भागधेयमस्या वो दास्याः । स खल्वस्याः सानाथ्यशंसी स्वप्नः’

आर्यप्रायान् । श्रेष्ठानिर्यर्थः । वैजन्यं विजनस्य भावम् । ‘विगतो जनता
जनसमूहो यस्मात् तस्य भावम्’ इति भूषणा । तिरस्कृत्य लोकलोक्नत आच्छिद्य ।
द्विजातिदारकस्य वणिक्पुत्रस्य । दारत्वेन स्त्रीत्वेन । स जीर्णः नालीजङ्घः । सांप्रतं
तदा । प्रसर्पत्प्रसृतोऽभूत् । उपधिः कपटम् । दाम माला । स्तनमण्डनं कुचभूषणम् ।
शासनमाज्ञाम् । अतिवर्ततेऽतिक्रामति । व्रतमस्यास्तीति व्रती । प्रस्तुतस्तनी
प्रसरत्पयःस्तनी । हर्षाकुलं सद्दयम् । भागधेयं भाग्यम् । अस्या वो दास्याः । मञ्जु-
वादिन्याः इत्यर्थः । सानाथ्यशंसी सानाथस्य भावः सानाथ्यं तच्छेषत्यर्थौ तथा ।

इति महर्शनरागबद्धसाध्वसां मञ्जुवादिनीं प्रणमय्य, भूयोऽपि सा
हर्षगर्भमब्रूत—‘तच्चेन्मिथ्या सोऽयं भुष्मदीयो बालकपाली श्वो मया
निरोद्धव्यः’ इति । मयाऽपि सस्मितं मञ्जुवादिनीरागलीनदृष्टिलीढधैर्ये-
णाभिहितं ‘एवमस्तु’ इति । लब्धभैक्षो नालीजङ्घमाकार्य निर्गम्य ततश्च
तं चानुयान्तं शनैरपृच्छम्—‘कासावल्पायुः प्रथितः प्रचण्डवर्मा’ इति ।
सोऽब्रूत—‘राज्यमिदं ममेत्यपास्तशङ्को राजास्थानमण्डप एव तिष्ठ-
त्युपास्यमानः कुशीलवैः’ इति । ‘यद्येवमुद्याने तिष्ठ’ इति तं जरन्त-
मादिश्य तत्प्राकारैकपार्श्वे कचिच्छून्यमठिकायां मात्राः समवतार्य तद्र-
क्षणनियुक्तराजपुत्रः कृतकुशीलववेषलालः प्रचण्डवर्माणमेत्यान्वरञ्ज-
यम् । अनुरञ्जितातपे तु समये जनसमाजज्ञानोपयोगीनि संहृत्य
नृत्यगीतनानारुदितानि हस्तचक्रमणमूर्ध्वपादालातपादापीडवृश्चिकमकर-
लङ्घनादीनि मत्स्योद्वर्तनादीनि च करणानि पुनरादायादाय आ-

महर्शनरागेण बद्धं साध्वसं थयेति सा ताम् । मञ्जुवादिनीम् । ‘मञ्जु मञ्जुलम्’
इत्यमरः । वदति सा वादिनी ताम् । प्रणमय्य । नमस्कारं कारयित्वेत्यर्थः । सस्मितं
सहासमभिहितम् । रागलीनं या दृष्टिस्तया लीढमास्वादितं धैर्यं यस्य तेन । लब्ध-
भैक्षो लब्धा प्राप्ता भिक्षा येनेति । ‘भिक्षादिभ्योऽण्’ । नालीजङ्घमेतन्नामानम् ।
आकार्योद्भूय । अनुयान्तं पश्चादनुवर्तमानम् । आस्थानमण्डपे सभामण्डपे । कुशीलवै-
र्गायकैः । ‘गायकास्तु कुशीलवाः’ इति वैजयन्ती । जरन्तं जीर्णम् । ‘प्राकारो वरण-
सालः’ इत्यमरः । अल्पो मठो मठिका । मात्राः परिच्छेदादीन् । ‘मात्रा पारिच्छदे
ऽर्त्वेऽशे’ इति वैजयन्ती । तद्रक्षणे मात्रारक्षणे । जनसमाजस्य लोकसमूहस्य ज्ञानोप-
योगीनि । नृत्यं नर्तनम् । गीतं गानम् । नानारुदितानि रोदनशब्दानुकरणानि । हस्तयो-
श्चक्रमणमितस्ततः प्रसारणम् । भ्रमणं वा । ऊर्ध्वपादमलातपादम् । ‘कराभ्यामवर्त्त-
स्पृष्टा मूर्ध्नि भ्रामयेन्मुहुः । उत्तानीकृत्य चरणावूर्ध्वपादं तदुच्यते ॥’ इति नृत्याध्याये
भरतः । ‘उद्धृत्यैकं तु वरणमग्न्यं कृत्वैव कुञ्चितम् । नृत्यत्यनुमत् तिर्यक्तदालातकमेव
च ॥’ इत्यपि तत्रैव । वृश्चिकलङ्घनं मकरलङ्घनं चेति ‘द्वन्द्वान्ते श्रूयमाणं पदं
प्रत्येकं संवध्यते’ इति न्यायात् । मत्स्योद्वर्तनानि मीनवद्विलसितानि । आदायादायेति

सन्नवर्तिनां क्षुरिकास्ताभिरुपाहितवर्ष्मा चित्रदुष्कराणि करणानि
 श्येनपातोत्क्रोशपातादीनि दर्शयन् विंशतिचापान्तरालावस्थितस्य
 प्रचण्डवर्मणश्छुरिकयैकया प्रत्युरसं प्रहृत्य 'जीव्याद्वर्षसहस्रं
 वसन्तमानुः' इत्यभिगर्जन् मद्गात्रमुत्कर्तुमुद्यतासेः कस्यापि चारभटस्य
 पीवरांसबाहुशिखरमाक्रम्य तावतैव तं विचेतीकुर्वन्नाकुलं च लोक-
 मुच्चक्षुर्कुर्वन् द्विपुरुषोच्छ्रितं प्राकारभत्यलङ्घयम् । अवप्लुत्य चोपवने
 'मदनुपातिनामेष पन्था दृश्यते' इति ब्रुवाण एव नालीजङ्घसमीकृत-
 सैकतस्पष्टपादन्यासया तमालवीथ्या चानुप्राकारं प्राचा प्रतिप्रधावितः
 पुनरवाचोच्चितेष्टकचितत्वादलक्ष्यपातेन प्रद्रुत्य लङ्घितप्राकारवप्रखात-
 वलयस्तस्यां शून्यमठिकायां तूर्णमेव प्रविश्य प्रतिमुक्तपूर्ववेषः सह
 कुमारेण मत्कर्मतुमुलराजद्वारि दुःखलब्धवर्त्मा श्पशानोद्देशमभ्यगात् ।
 प्रागेव तस्मिन्दुर्गागृहे प्रतिमाधिष्ठान एव मया कृतं भग्नपार्श्वस्थैर्यस्थूल-
 प्रस्तरस्थगितबाह्यद्वारं बिलम् ।

विश्वासद्योतनार्थं द्विरुक्तिः । क्षुरिकाः शस्त्राणि । उपहितवर्ष्मा संयुक्तदेहः । 'आच्छिन्न-
 क्षीरः' इति भूषणं । 'वर्ष्म विग्रहः' इत्यमरः । श्येनपातः । 'परिक्रम्यान्तरिक्षेण संप्रा-
 प्योच्चैरदृश्यताम् । आकस्मिकाभिपातेन श्येनपात इतीरितः ॥' इति । उत्क्रोशपातः
 कुरुरपातः । 'उत्क्रोशकुरुरौ समौ' इत्यमरः । चापः । प्रसारितबाहुद्वयप्रमाणं चाप
 इत्युच्यते । भाषया 'वाव' इति प्रसिद्धिः । मद्गात्रं मच्छरीरम् । उत्कर्तुं त्रोटितुम् ।
 उद्यतासैरुर्ध्वीकृतखङ्गस्य । चारभटस्य चारश्चासौ भटश्चेति व्युत्पत्तिः । 'भटश्चारभटो
 मतः' इति हलायुधः । पीवरांसं मांसलस्कन्धम् । विचेतीकुर्वन्नित्यत्र 'अरुर्मेनश्चक्षुः—' इति
 सलोपः । द्विपुरुषोच्छ्रितं पुरुषद्वयप्रमाणोच्चम् । अवप्लुत्योद्गीय । सैकतं सिकतामयम् ।
 अस्पष्टपादन्यासया न स्पष्टः पादन्यासश्चरणपातो यस्यामिति । तमालवीथ्या तमाल-
 पङ्क्त्या । अवाचोच्चितेष्टका उच्चनीचबद्धेष्टकाः । प्रतिमुक्तः संबद्धः पूर्ववेषो येन ।
 'अमुक्तं प्रतिमुक्तं च पिनदं चापिनद्वत्' इति लघुबो० । 'तुमुलो व्याकुलरवः' इति
 महीपः । प्रस्तरः पाषाणः । 'पाषाणप्रस्तरप्रावोपलाग्मानः शिला दृषत् ।' इत्यमरः ।
 अथेति । गलति । गच्छतीत्यर्थः । वर्षवरः । 'वृष्टो वर्षवरः' इत्यमरः ।

अथ गलति मध्यरात्रे वर्षवरोपनीतमहार्हरत्नभूषणपट्टनिवसनौ
तद्विलमावां प्रविश्य तूष्णीमतिष्ठाव । देवी तु पूर्वद्युरेव यथार्हमग्नि-
संस्कारं मालवाय दत्त्वा प्रचण्डवर्मणे, चण्डवर्मणे च तामवस्थामश्म-
केन्द्रोपधिकृतामेव संदिश्य उत्तरेद्युः प्रत्युषस्येव पूर्वसंकेतितपौरा-
मात्यसामन्तवृद्धैः सहाभ्येत्य मगवतीमर्चयित्वा सर्वजनप्रत्यक्षं परी-
क्षितकुक्षिवैजन्यं तद्भवनं विधाय दत्तदृष्टिः सह जनेन स्थित्वा पटी-
यांसं पटहशब्दमकारयत् । अणुतररन्ध्रप्रविष्टेन तेन नादेनाहं दत्त-
संज्ञः शिरसैवोत्क्षिप्य सप्रतिमं लोहपादपीठमंसलपुरुषप्रयत्नदुश्चल-
मुभयकरविधृतैकपार्श्वमेकतो निवेश्य निरगमम् । निरगम्यं च कुमा-
रम् । अथ यथापूर्वमर्पयित्वा दुर्गामुद्घाटितकपाटः प्रत्यक्षीभूय प्रत्यय-
हृष्टदृष्टि स्फष्टरोमाञ्चमुद्यताञ्जलि रूढविस्मयं च प्रेणिपतन्तीः प्रकृती-
रभ्यधाम्—‘ इत्थं देवी विन्ध्यवासिनी मन्मुखेन युष्मानाज्ञापयति—
‘ स एष राजसूनुरापन्नो मया सकृपया शार्दूलरूपेण तिरस्कृत्याद्य वो
दत्तः । तमेनमद्यप्रभृति मत्पुत्रतयाऽमन्दमातृपक्ष इति परिगृह्णन्तु
भवन्तः । ’ अपि च दुर्घटकूटकोटिघटनापाटवप्रकटशाठ्यनिष्ठुराश्मकघट-
वट्टनात्मानं मां मन्यध्वमस्य रक्षितारम् । रक्षानिवेशश्चास्य स्तत्तेयं
सुभ्रूरभ्यनुज्ञाता मह्यमार्यया ’ इति । श्रुत्वैतत् ‘ अहो भाग्यवान्भोजवंशो
यस्य त्वमार्यादत्तो नाथः ’ इत्यप्रीयन्त प्रकृतयः । सा तु वाचामगोचरां

तेनोपनीतानि महार्हाणि महामूल्यानि रत्नभूषणानि पट्टनिवसनानि पट्टवस्त्राणि च
ययोस्तौ । पूर्वद्युः पूर्वदिवसे । प्रत्युषसि प्रातःकाले । वैजन्यं विजनस्य भावस्तथा ।
पटीयांसं श्रेष्ठम् । पटहशब्द दुर्दुर्भिन्यनिम् । अंसलपुरुषः मांसलपुरुषः । ‘ बलवान्मा-
सलोऽसलः ’ इत्यमरः । ‘ वत्सासाभ्यां कामबले ’ इति लच् । प्रत्ययः साक्षात्कारः ।
हृष्टा हर्षे प्राप्ता दृष्टिर्वेत्रेति । प्रकृतीः प्रजाः । तिरस्कृत्यान्तर्धीय । अमन्दो बलवान् ।
मन्शे दुर्भाग्यो मातृपक्षो यस्य । दुर्घटं घटनाशक्यं यत् कूटं कपटं तस्य कोटिरग्रं
रांस्या वा तस्याः घटना योजना तस्यां पाटवं कौशलं तेन प्रकटं सुव्यक्तं यच्छाठ्यं
तेन निष्ठुरोऽश्मक एव घटस्तस्य घट्टनो चालयिता आत्मा यस्य । निवेशः वेतनम् ।
‘ निवेशस्तु पुमान्भोगे वेतने ’ इति मेदिनी । अप्रीयन्त प्रीताः । अगोचरामविषयाम् ।

हर्षवस्थामस्पृशन्मे श्वश्रूः । तदहरेव च यथावदग्राहयन्मञ्जुवादिनी-
पाणिपल्लवम् । प्रपन्नायां च यामिन्यां सम्यगेव विलं प्रत्यपूरयम् ।
अलब्धरन्ध्रश्च लोको नष्टमुष्टिचिन्तादिकथनैरभ्युपायान्तरप्रयुक्तैर्दिव्यांश-
तामेव मम समर्थयमानो मैदाज्ञां नात्यवर्तत । राजपुत्रस्यार्यापुत्र इति
प्रभावहेतुः प्रसिद्धिरासीत् । तं च गुणवत्यहनि मद्राकृतमुपनाय्य
पुरोहितेन पाठयन्तीति राजकार्याण्यन्वतिष्ठम् । अचिन्तयं च—
' राज्यं नाम शक्तित्रयायत्तम् । शक्तयश्च मन्त्रप्रभावोत्साहाः पर-
स्परानुगृहीताः कृत्येषु क्रमन्ते । मन्त्रेण हि विनिश्चयोऽर्थानां, प्रभावेण
प्रारम्भः, उत्साहेन निर्वहणम् । अतः पञ्चाङ्गमन्त्रमूले द्विरूपप्रभाव-
स्कन्धश्चतुर्गुणोत्साहविटपो द्विसप्ततिप्रकृतिपत्रः षड्गुणकिसलयः शक्ति-
सिद्धिपुष्पफलश्च नयवनस्पतिर्नेतुरुपकरोति । स चायमनेकाधि-
करणत्वादसहायेन दुरुपजीव्यः । यस्त्वयमार्यकेतुर्नाम मित्रवर्ममन्त्री
स कोसलाभिजनत्वात्कुमारमातृपक्षो मन्त्रिगुणैश्च युक्तः तन्मतिमव-
मत्यैव ध्वस्तो मित्रवर्मा, स चेच्छब्धः पेशलम् ' इति । अथ नालीजङ्घं

दिव्यांशतां द्विवि भवा दिव्यास्तेषामंशस्तस्य भावस्तत्ता ताम् । आर्यापुत्र इति
भवानीपुत्र इति । मद्राकृतं कृतकस्याणमश्रुम् । उपनाय्योपनयनं कारयित्वा ।
राज्यमिति । शक्तित्रयायत्तं शांते यार्धानम् । परस्परानुगृहीता अन्योन्य-
कृतसहायाः । पञ्चाङ्गमन्त्रमूलः । 'सहायाः साधनोपाया विभागो देशकालयोः ।
विपक्षे प्रतीकारः सिद्धिः पञ्चाङ्गमुच्यते ॥ ' इति कामन्दकः । द्विरूपप्रभावो-
ऽर्थानां पुष्पाणां च समृद्धिः । 'स प्रभावः प्रतापश्च यत्तेजः कोषदण्डजम्' इत्यमरः ।
स स्कन्धः शाखा यस्य । चतुर्गुणो य उत्साहः स एव विटपाः शाखाः यस्य । द्विसप्तति-
प्रकृतयः प्रजाः पत्राणि यस्येति सः । षड्गुणाः 'संघर्षा विप्रहो यानमासनं
द्वैधमाश्रयः इत्युक्ताः । 'ते किसलयानि यस्येति सः । शक्तिसिद्धिपुष्पफलश्च । शक्तित्रयं
पुष्पं सिद्धित्रयं च फलमिति । 'षड्गुणाः शक्तयस्तिष्ठः सिद्धयश्चोदयाम्नायः । ' इति ।
नय एव वनस्पतिर्नातितरुः । अनेकाधिकरणत्वाद्नेकप्रकारत्वात् । असहायेन सहाय-
हीनेन । दुरुपजीव्यो दुःखेनोपजीवितुं शक्यः । कोसलाभिजनत्वात्कोसलवंशत्वात् ।
'संततिर्गोत्रजननकुलान्यभिजनान्वयौ । ' इत्यमरः । मन्त्रिगुणैः प्रधानगुणैः ।

रहस्यशिक्षयम्—‘ तात आर्यमार्यकेतुमेकान्ते ब्रूहि—‘को न्वेष माया-
पुरुषो य इमां राज्यलक्ष्मीमनुभवति । स चायमस्मद्बालो भुजङ्गेनामुना
परिगृहीतः । किमुद्गार्येत प्रस्येत वा ’ इति । स’ यद्वदिष्यति तदस्मि
बोध्यः’ इति । सोऽन्यदैवं मामावेदयत्—‘ मुद्गुरुपास्य प्राभृतैः प्रवर्त्य
चित्राः कथाः संवाह्य पाणिपादमतिविस्त्रम्भदत्तक्षणं तमप्राक्षं त्वदुप-
दिष्टेन नयेन । सोऽप्येवमकथयत्—‘ भद्र मैवं वादीः । अभिजनस्य
शुद्धिदर्शनमसाधारणं बुद्धिनैपुणमतिमानुषं प्राणबलमपरिमाणमौदा-
र्यमत्याश्चर्यमस्त्रकौशलमनरुपं शिल्पज्ञानमनुग्रहार्द्रं चेतस्तेजश्चाप्यवि-
षह्यमभ्यमित्राणमित्यस्मिन्नेव संनिपातिनो गुणाः, येऽभ्यत्रैकैकशोऽपि
दुर्लभाः । द्विषतामेष चिरं बिल्वद्रुमः प्रह्वानां तु चन्दनतरुस्तमुद्धृत्य नीति-
ज्ञमन्ययश्मकामिमं च राजपुत्रमनेन पित्र्ये पदे प्रतिष्ठितमेव विद्धि ।
नात्र संशयः कार्यः ’ इति । तच्चापि श्रुत्वा भूयोभूयश्चोपधामिर्विशोध्य
तं मे मतिसहायमकरवम् । तत्सखश्च सत्यशौचयुक्तानमात्यान्वि-
विधव्यञ्जनांश्च गूढपुरुषानुदपादयम् । तेभ्यश्चोपलभ्य लुब्धसमृ-
द्धमत्युत्तिक्तमविधेयप्रायं च प्रकृतिमण्डलमलुब्धतामभिरूपाययन्

अवमत्यावगणय्य । पेशलं सुन्दरम् । तातेति । न्विति वितर्के । भुजङ्गेन सर्पेण । उद्गार्येत
त्यज्येतेत्यर्थः । प्रस्येत वेति भक्षयिष्यति वा । उपास्य संविता । प्राभृतैरुपायनैः ।
संवाह्य । ‘ संवाहनं पुरस्कारः ’ इति । विस्त्रम्भो विश्वासः तेन दत्तः क्षणो यस्य येन वा ।
भद्र कल्याणेति संबोधनम् । अभिजनस्य कुलस्य । असाधारणम् । महदित्यर्थः ।
अतिमानुषं मानुषमतिक्रम्य वर्तत इति । अपरिमाणं परिमाणरहितम् । अस्त्र-
कौशलमस्त्रकुशलता । शिल्पज्ञानं रचनाज्ञानम् । अविषह्यं सोढुमसमर्थम् ।
अभ्यमित्राणाममित्रान् शत्रून् अभिमुखमलं गच्छतीति तथा । ‘ अभ्यमित्राच्छ च ’
इति चकारात्खः । संनिपातिन एकत्रावस्थिताः । चिरबिल्वद्रुमो विषद्रुमः । प्रह्वानां
नम्राणाम् । अनुरागवतामित्यर्थः । पित्र्यं पितुरिदम् । भूयोभूयो वारंवारम् । उपधाभिः ।
‘ उपधा धर्माद्यैर्यत्परीक्षणम् ’ इत्यमरः । तस्य सखा तत्सखः । ‘ राजाहःसखि-
भ्यष्टच् ’ इति टच् । सत्यं सत्यप्रतिज्ञानम् । शौचं शुद्धिः । गूढपुरुषान्गुप्त-
सेवकान् । अभिरूपाययन्प्रकटीकुर्वन् । नास्ति कान्नास्तिक्ययुक्तान् । कण्ठकात्रिपून् ।

धार्मिकत्वमुद्भावयन् नास्तिकान्कदर्थयन् कण्टकान्विशोधयन् अमित्रोप-
धरिपन्नन् चातुर्वर्ण्यं च स्वधर्मकर्मसु स्थापयन् अभिसमाहरेयमर्थान् ।
अर्थमूला हि दण्डविशिष्टकर्मरम्भाः । न चान्यदस्ति पापिष्ठं तत्र दौर्ब-
ल्यात् । इत्याकलय्य योगानन्वतिष्ठम् ।

इति श्रीदण्डिनः कुतौ दशकुमारचरिते विश्रुतचरितं नामाष्टम उच्छ्वासः ।

उत्तरपीठिका ।

व्यचिन्तयं च—‘ सर्वोऽप्यतिशूरः सेवकवर्गो मयि तथाऽनुरक्तो
यथाऽऽज्ञया जीवितमपि तृणाय मन्यते । राज्यद्वितयसैन्यसामग्र्या च
नाहमश्मकेशाद्वसन्तभानोन्यूनो नीत्याविष्टश्च । अतो वसन्तभानुं
परानित्य विदर्माधिपतेरनन्तवर्मणस्तनयं भास्करवर्माणं पित्र्ये पदे
स्थापयितुमलमस्मि । ‘ अयं च राजसूनुर्मवान्या पुत्रत्वेन परिकल्पितः ।
अहं चास्य साहाय्ये नियुक्तः ’ इति सर्वत्र किंवदन्ती संजाताऽस्ति ।
अद्यापि चैतन्मत्कपटकृत्यं न केनापि विदितम्, अत्रस्थाश्च
अस्मिन् भोस्करवर्माणि राजतनये ‘ अयमस्मत्स्वामिनोऽनन्तवर्मणः
पुत्रो मवान्याः प्रसादादेतद्राज्यमवाप्स्यति ’ इति बद्धाशा
वर्तते । अश्मकेशसैन्यं च राजसूनोभवानीसाहाय्यं वि-

उपधीः कूटप्रयोगान् । चातुर्वर्ण्यं चतुर्णां वर्णानां ब्राह्मणादीनां समाहारश्चातु-
र्वर्ण्यम् । अर्थमूला अर्थाधीनाः । दौर्बल्याद् दुर्बलस्य भावस्तेन । आकलय्य ।
मनसि कृत्वेत्यर्थः । योगान्विविधोपायान् । ‘ योगो युक्तौ च संगत्या कर्मणालभ्य-
लाभयोः । देहदाढ्ये प्रयोगे च विष्कम्भादौ तथाऽऽस्मि ॥ उपाये भेषजे विद्भिर्दृष्टि-
संनहने धने । विश्रब्धघातिनि ध्याने युक्तिन्याये च योजने ॥ ’ इति महीपः ।

इति श्रीमत्कवीन्द्राचार्यसरस्वतीकृतायां दशकुमारचरित-
व्याख्यायां पदचन्द्रिकाभिधायां विश्रुतचरितं नामाष्टम उच्छ्वासः ।

तृणाय मन्यते विगणयति । स्वासुभिरपि मत्प्रियं कर्तुमिच्छतीत्यर्थः । राज्य-
द्वितयस्य मित्रवर्मप्रचण्डवर्मराज्ययोः । नीत्याविष्टो नीत्यनुसंधानपरः । किंवदन्ती

दित्वा 'दैव्याः शक्तेः पुरो न बलवती मानवी शक्तिः' इत्यस्माभि-
विग्रहे चलचित्तमिवोपलक्ष्यते । अत्रत्याश्च मौलाः प्रकृतयः प्रथम-
मेव राजसुताभ्युदयाभिष्ठाविषय इदानीं च पुनर्मया दानमाना-
द्यावर्जनेन विश्वासिता विशेषेण राजपुत्रमेवाभिकाङ्क्षन्ति । अश्मके-
न्द्रान्तरङ्गाश्च भृत्या मदीयैर्विश्वास्यतमैः पुरुषैः प्रभूतां प्रीति-
मुत्पाद्य मदाज्ञया रहसीत्युपजप्ताः—'यूयमस्मान्मित्राणि, अतो-
ऽस्माकं शुभोदकं वचो वाच्यमेव । अत्र भवान्या राजसूनोः
साहाय्यकाय विश्रुतं विश्रुतं नियुज्य तद्वस्तेनाश्मकेन्द्रस्य वसन्त-
मानोस्तत्पक्षे स्थित्वा ये चानेन सह योत्स्यन्ते' तेषामप्यन्तका-
तिथिभवनम् । यावदश्मकेन्द्रेण स जन्यवृत्तिर्न जातस्तावदेन-
मनन्तवर्मतनयं मास्करवर्माणमनुसरिष्यथ । स वीतभयो भू-
यसीं प्रवृत्तिमासाद्य सपरिजनः सुखेन निवत्स्यति न चेद्भवानी-
त्रिशूलवश्यो भविष्यति । भवान्या च ममेत्याज्ञतमस्ति यदेकवारं
सर्वेषां कथय । अतोऽस्माकं युष्माभिः सह मैत्रीमवबुध्यास्म-
न्मुखेन सर्वेभ्यो वार्तम् ।' इत्याकर्ण्य तेऽश्मकेन्द्रान्तरङ्ग-
भृत्या राजसूनोर्भवानीवरं विदित्वा पूर्वमेव मित्रमनसं आसन् ।
विशेषतश्च मदीयमिति वचनं श्रुत्वा ते सर्वेऽपि मद्वशे समभवन् ।
एतं सर्वमपि वृत्तान्तमवबुध्याश्मकेशेन व्यचिन्ति—'यद्राजसूनोर्मौलाः
प्रजास्ताः सर्वा अप्येनमेव प्रभुमभिलषन्ति । मदीयश्च बाह्य
आभ्यन्तरो भृत्यवर्गो मित्रमना इव लक्ष्यते । एवं यद्यहं क्षमामव-
लम्ब्य गृह एव स्थास्यामि तत उत्पन्नोपजापं स्वराज्यमपि परित्रातुं
न शक्यामि । अतो यावता मित्रचित्तेन मदवबोधकं प्रकटयता

जनश्रुतिः । मौला मूलाद् विदग्धवगरादित्यर्थः आगताः । आवर्जनेन दानेनाभि-
मुखीकरणेन वा । अन्तरङ्गा विश्वासपात्राणि । उपजप्ताः कृतोपजापाः । शुभोदकं
कल्याणोत्तरफलम् । विश्रुतं दत्तम् । विश्रुतं तदाख्यम् । जन्यवृत्तिः युद्धव्यापारो-
द्यतः । स इति-युष्माकं मध्ये इति शेषः । प्रवृत्तिं गौरवं संप्रदाहं वा । क्षमा
उपेक्षा । उत्पन्नोपजापं जातभेदम् । मदवबोधकं मयुद्धनिश्चयावबोधकम् ।

महल्लेन सह मिथोवचनं न संजातं तावतैव तन साकं विग्रहं
 रचयामि । इत्येवं विहिते सोऽवश्यं मदग्रे क्षणमवस्थास्यति ' इति
 निश्चित्यान्यायेन परराज्यक्रमणपातकप्रेरितः ससैन्यो मृत्युमुखमिवा-
 स्मत्सैन्यमभ्ययात् । तमभ्यायान्तं विदित्वा राजपुत्रः पुरोऽभवत् ।
 अतोऽश्मकेन्द्रमेव तुरगाधिरूढो यान्तमभ्यसरश्च । तावत्सर्वा एव
 तत्सेना 'यदयमेतावतोऽपरिमितस्यास्मत्सैन्यस्योपर्येक एवाभ्यागच्छति
 तत्र भवानीवर एवासाधारणं कारणं, नान्यत् ' इति निश्चित्यालेख्य-
 लिखितेवावस्थिता । ततो मयाऽभिगम्य संगराय समाहूतो वसन्तमानुः
 समेत्य मामसिप्रहारेण दृढमभ्यहन् । अहं च शिक्षाविशेषविफलित-
 तदसिप्रहारः प्रतिप्रहारेण तं प्रहत्यावकृत्तमश्मकेन्द्रशिरोऽवनौ विनिमात्य
 तत्सैनिकानवदम्—' अतः परमपि ये युयुत्सवो भवन्ति ते समेत्य
 मया युध्यन्ताम् । न चेद्राजतनयचरणप्रणामं विधाय तदीयाः सन्तः
 स्वस्ववृत्त्युपभोगपूर्वकं निजान्निजानधिकारान्निःशङ्कं परिपालयन्तः
 सुखेनावतिष्ठन्तु ' इति । मद्रचनश्रवणानन्तरं सर्वेऽप्यश्मकेन्द्रसेवकाः
 स्वस्ववाहनात्सहसाऽवतीर्य राजसूनुमानभ्य तद्वशवर्तिनः समभवन् ।
 -ततोऽहं तदश्मकेन्द्रराज्यं राजसूनुसाद्विधाय तद्वक्षणार्थं मौलान्स्वान-
 धिकारिणो नियुज्यात्मीभूतेनाश्मकेन्द्रसैन्येन च साकं विदर्भानभ्येत्य
 राजधान्यां तं राजतनयं भास्करवर्माणमभिषिच्य पित्रे पदे न्यवेशयम् ।

एकदा च मात्रा वसुमत्या सहावस्थितं तं राजानं व्यजिज्ञ-
 पम्—' मयैकस्य कार्यस्यारम्भश्चिकीर्षितोऽस्ति । स यावन्न
 सिध्यति तावन्मया न कुत्राप्येकत्रावस्थातुं शक्यम् । अत इयं
 मद्भार्या त्वद्भगिनी मञ्जुवादिनी कियन्त्यहानि युष्मदन्तिकमेव
 तिष्ठतु । अहं च यावदिष्टजनोपलम्भं कियन्तमप्यनेहसं भुवं

क्षणं न महान्तं कालम् । आलेख्यलिखिता चित्रन्यस्ता । शिक्षा अल्लकौशलम् । विफ-
 लितः प्रअष्टलक्ष्यः कृतः । तदीयास्तदनुयायिनः । वृत्तिर्जीवनसाधनम् । तद्वशवर्तिनस्त-
 दच्छानुवर्तिनः । राजसूनुसासाकल्येन तदधीनम् । चिकीर्षितः कर्तुमिष्टः ।
 उपलम्भः प्राप्तिः । अनेहसं कालम् । ' कालो दिष्टोऽप्यनेहाऽपि ' इत्यमरः ।

विभ्रम्य तमासाद्य पुनरत्र समेष्यामि । ' इत्याकर्ण्य मात्राऽनुमतेन राज्ञाऽहमगादि—'यदेतदस्माकमेतद्वाज्योपलम्भलक्षणस्थैतावतोऽभ्युदय-स्यासाधारणो हेतुर्भवानेव । भवन्तं विना क्षणमप्यस्माभिरियं राज्यधूर्ने निर्वाह्या । अतः किमेवं वक्ति भवान् । ' इत्याकर्ण्य मया प्रत्यवादि—'युष्माभिरियं चिन्तालवोऽपि न चित्ते चिन्तनीयः । युष्मद्गृहे यः सचिवरत्नमार्यकेतुरस्ति स ईदृग्विधानामनेकेषां राज्यानां धुरमुद्रोढुं शक्तः । ततस्तं तत्र नियुज्याहं गमिष्यामि ' इत्यादिवचनसंदोहैः प्रलोभितोऽपि सजननीको नृपोऽनेकैराग्रहैर्मां कियन्तमपि कालं प्रयाणोप-क्रमाद्यवर्तयत् । उत्कलाधिपतेः प्रचण्डवर्मणो राज्यं मीढ्यं प्रादात् । अहं च तद्वाज्यमात्मसात्कृत्वा राजानमामन्त्र्य यावत्स्वदन्वेषणाय प्रयाणोपक्रमं करोमि तावदेवाङ्गनाथेन सिंहवर्मणा स्वसाहाय्यायाका-रितोऽत्र समागतः पूर्वपुण्यविपाकात्स्वामिना समगंसि । '

ततस्ते तत्र संगता अपहारवर्मोपहारवर्मार्थपालप्रमतिमित्रगुप्तमन्त्र-गुप्तविश्रुताः कुमाराः पाटलिपुरे यौवराज्यमुपभुञ्जानं समाकारणे पूर्वकृतसंकेतं वामलोचनया भार्यया सह कुमारं सोमदत्तं सेवकैरानाय्य सराजवाहनाः संभूयावस्थिता मिथः सप्रमोदसंवल्लिताः कथां यावद्विद-धति तावत्पुष्पपुराद्राज्ञो राजहंसस्याज्ञापत्रमादाय समागता राजपुरुषाः प्रणम्य राजवाहनं व्यजिज्ञपन्—'स्वामिन् एतज्जनकस्य राजहंसस्या-ज्ञापत्रं गृह्यताम्' इत्याकर्ण्य समुत्थाय भूयोभूयः सादरं प्रणम्य सदसि तदाज्ञापत्रमग्रहीत् । शिरसि चाधाय तत उत्तार्योत्कील्य राजा राज-वाहनः सर्वेषां शृण्वतामेवावाचयत्—'स्वस्ति श्रीः पुष्पपुरराजधान्याः श्रीराजहंसभूपतिश्चम्पानगरीमधिवसतो राजवाहनप्रमुखान्कुमारानाशा-स्याज्ञापत्रं प्रेषयति । यथा यूयमितो मामामन्त्र्य प्रणम्य प्रास्थिताः

राज्यस्य धू राज्यधुरा । राज्यधूरिति प्रयोगश्चिन्त्यः । संदोहः समूहः । प्रयाणोप-क्रमाद्यात्रारम्भात् । आकारित आहूतः । स्वामिना त्वया राजवाहनेन । समाकारणे आह्वाने । संवल्लिताः संमिलिताः । उत्कील्योद्घाटय । आशास्याशीर्भरभिनन्द्य ।

पथि कस्मिंश्चिद्वनोद्देश उपशिवालयं स्कन्धावारमवस्थाप्य स्थिताः । तत्र राजवाहनं शिवपूजार्थं निशि शिवालये स्थितं प्रातरनुपलभ्यावाशिष्टाः सर्वेऽपि कुमाराः 'सहैव राजवाहनेन राजहंसं प्रणस्यामो न चेत्प्राणां-स्त्यक्षयामः' इति प्रतिज्ञाय सैन्यं परावर्त्य राजवाहनमन्वेष्टुं पृथक्प्रस्थिताः । एतं भवद्वृत्तान्तं ततः प्रत्यावृत्तानां सैनिकानां मुखादाकर्ण्यसह्यदुःखोद-न्वति मग्नमनसावुमावहं युष्मज्जननी च 'वामदेवाश्रमं गत्वैतद्वृत्तान्तं ताद्विदितं विधाय प्राणपरित्यागं कुर्वः' इति निश्चित्य तदाश्रममुपगतौ तं मुनिं प्रणम्य यावत्स्थितौ तावदेव तेन त्रिकालवेदिना मुनिना विदि-तभेवास्मन्मनीषितम् । निश्चयमवबुद्धञ्च प्रावाचि—'राजन् प्रथम-मेवैतत्सर्वं युष्मन्मनीषितं विज्ञानबलादज्ञायि । यदेते त्वत्कुमारा राजवाहननिमित्ते कियन्तमनेहसमापदमासाद्य भाग्योदयादसाधारणेन विक्रमेण विहितदिग्विजयाः प्रभूतानि राज्यान्युपलभ्य षो-डशाब्दान्ते विजयिनं राजवाहनं पुरस्कृत्य प्रत्येत्य तव वसुमत्याश्च पादानभिवाद्य भवदाज्ञाविधायिनो भविष्यन्ति । अत-स्तन्निमित्तं किमपि साहसं न विधेयम्' इति । तदाकर्ण्य तत्प्रत्यया-द्वैर्यमवलम्ब्याद्यप्रभृत्यहं देवी च प्राणानधारयाव । इदानीमासन्न-वर्तिन्यवधौ वामदेवाश्रमं गत्वा विज्ञप्तिः कृता—'स्वामिन् त्वदु-क्तावधिः पूर्णप्रायो भवति । तत्प्रवृत्तिस्त्वयाऽद्यापि विज्ञायते' इति । श्रुत्वा मुनिरवदत्—'राजन् राजवाहनप्रमुखाः सर्वेऽपि कुमारा अनेकान्दुर्जयाञ्जशत्रून्विजित्य दिग्विजयं विधाय भूवल्यं वशीकृत्य चम्पायामेकत्र स्थिताः । तवाज्ञापत्रमादाय तदामयनाय प्रेष्यन्ता शीघ्रमेव सेवकाः ।' इति मुनिवचनमाकर्ण्य भवदाकारणायाज्ञापत्रं

स्कन्धावारं सेनाम् । दुःखोदन्वति दुःखसागरे । त्रिकालवेदिना भूतभविष्यद्वर्त-मानज्ञेन । विज्ञानं योगबलजन्यं ज्ञानम् । 'योगबलात्' इति पाठे योगश्चित्तै-काग्र्यरूपः समाधिः । प्रत्येत्य प्रत्यागत्य । साहसं प्राणपरित्यागादिरूपम् । प्रत्ययाद्विधासात् । अवधिः राजपुत्रनिवर्तनकालः । प्रवृत्तिवृत्तान्तः ।

प्रेषितमस्ति । अतः परं चेत्क्षणमपि यूयं विलम्ब विधास्यथ ततो मां वसुमतीं च मातरं कथावशेषावेव श्रोष्यथेति ज्ञात्वा पानीयमपि पथि मूत्वा पेयम् । ' इत्येवं पितुराज्ञापत्रं मूर्ध्नि विधृत्य गच्छेमेति निश्चयं चक्रुः । अथ वशीकृतराज्यरक्षापर्याप्तानि सैन्यानि समर्थतरान्पुरुषानाप्तान्स्थाने स्थाने नियुज्य क्रियता सैन्येन मार्गरक्षां विधाय पूर्वैरिणं मालवेशं मानसारं पराजित्य तदपि राज्यं वशीकृत्य पुष्पपुरे राज्ञो राजहंसस्य देव्या वसुमत्याश्च पादान्नमस्यामः । एवं निश्चित्य स्वस्वभार्यासंयुताः परिमितेन सैन्येन मालवेशं प्रति प्रस्थिताः । प्राप्य चोज्जयिनीं तदैव सहायभूतैस्तैः कुमारैः परिवृतेन राजवाहनेनातिबलवानपि मालवेशो मानसारः क्षणेन पराजिग्ये निहतश्च । ततस्तद्दुहितरमबान्तिसुदरीं समादाय चण्डवर्मणा तन्मन्त्रिणा पूर्वं कारागृहे राक्षितं पुष्पोद्भवं कुमारं सकुटुम्बं तत उन्मोचितं सह नीत्वा मालवेन्द्रराज्यं वशीकृत्य तद्रक्षणाय कांश्चित्सैन्यसहितान्मन्त्रिणो नियुज्यावशिष्टपरिमितसैन्यसहितास्ते कुमाराः पुष्पपुरं समेत्य राजवाहनं पुरस्कृत्य तस्य राजहंसस्य मातुर्वसुमत्याश्च चरणानभिवन्दितवन्तः । तौ च पुत्रसमागमं प्राप्य परमानन्दमधिगतौ । ततो राज्ञो वसुमत्याश्च देव्याः समक्षं वामदेवो राजवाहनप्रमुखानां दशानामपि कुमारानामभिलाषं विज्ञाय तानाज्ञापयत्—' भवन्तः सर्वेऽप्येकवारं गत्वा स्वानि राज्यानि न्यायेन परिपालयन्तु । पुनर्यदेच्छा भवति तदा पित्रोश्चरणाभिवन्दनायागन्तव्यम् ' इति । ततस्ते सर्वेऽपि कुमारास्तन्मुनिवचनं शिरस्याधाय तं प्रणम्य पितरौ च, गत्वा दिग्विजयं विधाय, प्रत्यागमनान्तं स्वस्ववृत्तं पृथक्पृथक् मुनिसमक्षं न्यवेदयन् । पितरौ च कुमाराणां निजपराक्रमावबोधकान्यतिदुर्घटानि चरितान्याकर्ण्य परमानन्दमाप्नुताम् । ततो राजा मुनिं सविनयं व्यजिज्ञपत्—

कथावशेषौ मृतावित्यर्थः । पानीयमिति । आज्ञापत्रवाचनविरामे एव प्रयाणं कार्यमित्यर्थः । आप्तान् हितैषिणः । एकवारमेकदैव । गत्वेति स्वगमनादारभ्येत्यर्थः । प्रत्यागमनमन्तो ब्रह्म तत् । प्रत्यागमनं यावदित्यर्थः । अवबोधकानि गमकानि ।

‘ भगवन् तव प्रसादादस्माभिर्मनुजमनोरथाधिकमवाङ्मनसगोचरं सुख-
माधिगतम् । अतः परं मम स्वाभिचरणसंनिधौ वानप्रस्थाश्रममधि-
गत्यात्मसाधनमेव विधातुमुचितम् । अतः पुष्पपुरराज्ये मानसारराज्ये
च राजवाहनमभिषिच्यावाशिष्टानि राज्यानि नवभ्यः कुमारैर्म्यो यथो-
दितं संप्रदाय ते कुमारा राजवाहनाज्ञाविधायिनस्तदेकमत्या वर्त-
मानाश्चतुर्दधिमेखलां वसुंधरां समुद्धृत्य कण्टकानुपभुञ्जन्ति तथा
विधेयं स्वामिना ’ इति । तेषां तत्पितुर्वानप्रस्थाश्रमग्रहणोपक्रमनिषेधे
भूयांसमाग्रहं विलोक्य मुनिस्तानवदत्—‘ भोः कुमारकाः अयं युष्म-
ज्जनक एतद्वयःसमुचिते पथि वर्तमानः कायक्लेशं विवैव मदाश्रमस्थो
वानप्रस्थाश्रमाश्रयणं सर्वथा भवद्भिर्न निवारणीयः । अत्र स्थितस्त्वयं
भगवद्भक्तिमुपलप्स्यते । भवन्तश्च पितृसंनिधौ न सुखमवाप्स्यन्ति । ’
इति महर्षेराज्ञामधिगम्य ते पितुर्वानप्रस्थाश्रमाधिगमप्रतिषेधाग्रहम-
त्यजन् । राजवाहनं पुष्पपुरेऽवस्थाप्य तदनुज्ञया सर्वेऽपि परिजनाः
स्नानि स्नानि राज्यानि प्रतिपाल्य स्वेच्छया पित्रोः समीपे गतागत-
मकुर्वन् । एवमवस्थितास्ते राजवाहनप्रमुखाः सर्वेऽपि कुमारा राज-
वाहनाज्ञया—सर्वमपि वसुधावलयं न्यायेन परिपालयन्तः परस्पर-
मैकमत्येन वर्तमानाः पुरंदरप्रभृतिभिरप्यतिदुर्लभानि राज्यसुखा-
न्यन्वभूवन् ।

इति श्रीवाङ्मनः कृतौ दशकुमारचरिते उत्तरपीठिका ।

समाप्तं दशकुमारचरितम्

अवाङ्मनसगोचरं वाङ्मनसयोर्व्यापारातिक्रान्तम् । वाङ्मनसे इति ‘अचतुर—’इत्या-
दिना अजन्तो निपातः । वानप्रस्थेत्यत्र याज्ञवल्क्यः—‘सुतविन्यस्तपस्वीकस्तया
वाऽनुगतो वनम् । वानप्रस्थो ब्रह्मचारी साग्निः सोपासनो व्रजेत् ॥’ इति ।
आत्मसाधनं परमात्मचिन्तनेन मोक्षसाधनम् । यथोदितं यथाभ्युदयं यथोक्तं वा ।
पुरंदरप्रभृतिभिरिन्द्रादिदेवैः ।

इति समाप्तोत्तरपीठिकाव्याख्या ।

TRANSLATION OF THE DAS'AKUMA'RACHARITA.

PŪRVAPĪTHIKÂ.

UOHONHVA'SA I.

May the staff-like foot of Trivikrama (Vishṇu) grant you eternal bliss!—the foot which is the pole of the umbrella in the form of the Mundane egg, which is the long stalk of the lotus, the residence (*or*, birth-place) of Brahmâ, which is as it were the main-mast of the ship of the earth, which serves as the flag-staff of the bannerlike heavenly river gliding along (the sky), which is the axle of the wheel in the form of the (revolving) firmament of stars, which is (as it were) the pillar that proclaims his (*i. e.*, Vishṇu's) victory over the three worlds, and which is the very rod of Death to the enemies of gods (*i. e.* the demons).

There was a city, Pushpapurî by name, which, serving as a touchstone to all other towns (*i. e.* being the best model of a city), proclaimed the greatness of the ocean by the various articles such as collections of gems and others spread out at all times among countless commodities for sale, and which (consequently) had become an ornament to the country of the Magadhas. It was ruled by a king named Râjahansa, who possessed a beauty that was as attractive and faultless as that of the highly proud Cupid. His mighty, long arm served him like the Mandâra mountain, in churning the ocean of the army of the host of all his enemies, terrific on account of its sharks in the form of the horses and elephants, and with heaving waves in the shape of the array of brave warriors. He was rendered fragrant (*i. e.* illustrious) all round by very great fame, which was repeatedly sung by the youthful courtesans of heaven diverting themselves in the groves adjoining the suburbs of the capital of Indra, and which filled all the spaces of the quarters, being white (spotless) like the autumnal moon, the *Kunda* flower.

camphor, snow, a pearl-necklace, the stalk of a (white) lotus, the swan, the Airāvata, water, milk, the loud and boisterous laughter of Śiva, the Kailāsa mountain and the Kāsīa flower. Fortunate in the enjoyment of the beauty of the lovely damsel in the form of the earth with the girdle in the form of the border of the ocean which contains gems as large and beautiful as those on the peaks of the mountain Meru, he patronized, with rich gifts in sacrifices constantly going on, thousands of learned and eminent Brāhmaṇas refulgent with the fund of learning they possessed. He always equalled the sun, in the middle of the sky, by his valour that (constantly) caused torment to his foes. His queen was Vasumatī, gifted with talent, and the foremost (*lit.* crest-jewel) of the whole class of graceful women. Cupid (*lit.* the fish-bannered god), having been reduced to ashes by Ś'iva (*lit.* god with an eye in his forehead) by means of his angry look, his accompaniments, thinking that a lady of exquisite beauty was the proper resort for them (being unassailable), became through fear her various limbs. Thus, the row of bees (on his bow-string) assumed the form of her mass of hair (thick tresses); the moon, the source of the passion of love, became her face that surpassed a lotus in beauty; the fish with its mate, that acted like his banner of victory, became her two eyes; the Malaya-brooze, the chief of all his warriors (for the conquest of the whole of the human world), became her breath; the tender sprout, the saw that harrows the hearts of travellers, her red (*lit.* *bimba*-like) lower lip; his victorious conch, her tapering and beautiful neck; his two full jars became her breasts, looking like two Ohakravāka birds; the two soft lotus-stalks of incomparable tenderness, that formed his bow-string, her two arms; the slightly-blown lotus-bud that served as his sportive ear-ornament became her navel that resembled an eddy of the Ganges; (the wheels of) his victorious chariot, that keeps off the attainment of desires of even the ascetics, became her exceedingly plump hips; the two plantain-trees which were like his pillars of victory, were the very essence of beauty, and had hindered the practice (of penance) of sages, became her two thighs; the lotus with thousand petals that formed his umbrella, became her two feet; and the flowers that served as his missiles, the other limbs. Like the earth, borne on his hoods by Śesha, that Vasumatī, fondled with endless enjoyments, was enjoyed so as to taste all

sorts of pleasures by the king of the Magadhas, residing in Pushpapura, which surpassed (in grandeur) even the city of the immortals (*i.e.* Amarāvati, the capital of Indra).

That king had three hereditary ministers, named Dharmapāla, Padmodbhava and Sitavarman, who were ever at his service (*lit.* very obedient), and who, on account of their deep political insight, quite easily disposed of matters that would have demanded serious attention even on the part of Bṛihaspati. Of these, Sitavarman had two sons, Sumati and Satyavarman; Dharmapāla had three, Sumantra, Sumitra and Kāmapāla; and Padmodbhava had two, Suśruta and Ratnodbhava. Of these, Satyavarman, who was pious, realizing the worthlessness of worldly life, went to foreign lands, desiring to visit holy places. Kāmapāla, who was ill-trained and attached to parasites, actors and courtesans, wandered over the earth, disregarding the advice of his father and his elder brother. Ratnodbhava, too, being an expert merchant, crossed (carried on trade by) the sea. The other sons of the ministers when their fathers were dead (*lit.*, had become the guests of the city of Indra), succeeded to their offices (*lit.* remained doing the duties as before).

Once, the lord of the Magadhas, who had set his sharp arrows on the row of the heads (*or*, crowns) of princes in the countless battles he fought with them on account of his skill in the use of great weapons of various kinds, marched out in great rage, thirsting for fight, and accompanied by the fourfold army, that sorely taxed the might of the hoods of Śeṣha by the weight of the earth which sank under its burden, against the King of Mālwa, Mānasāra, who was the worker of havoc in every fresh battle and whose pride and power were at their height;—he (Rājahansa), who, by the deep sound of his kettle-drums which easily quelled the ocean's pride of its loud roar, made the guardian-elephants of the quarters stagger, as they were seized by an overpowering terror, being forced to hear a loud noise. The king of Mālwa also, who was the spirit of war incarnate, marched forth to meet him with a determined purpose, accompanied by many arrays of war-elephants. Then there was a close fight between them, wherein warriors struck one another with weapons and with hands, wherein the army was slaughtered on both the sides, and wherein all space in the quarters was deafened by

the sound of drums that drowned all other sounds in the aerial region, beneath a cloud of dust thickly spread over the surface of the sky, which (dust) arose from the earth as it was struck up by the hoofs of the horses of the chariots (*or*, of the horses and by the chariots), the root of which was washed away by the streams of rut oozing from the temples of the arrays of elephants, and which looked as if it were a cloth-*Mandap*, screening the number of *Apsarasas* that had come (in the sky) for choosing new lovers for themselves (from among the fallen warriors). In it *Rājahansa* captured alive the king of *Mâlwa*, whose army was completely destroyed ; but he re-instated him on his throne, out of mercy.

Rājahansa now ruled the earth engirdled by the oceans, without a rival. As he was not blessed with progeny, he devoted all his time to the worship of *Nārāyaṇa*, the one Creator of the universe. Now one day his chief queen saw at daybreak a happy dream, saying to her : “ Get a fruit of the desire-fulfilling creeper through (*or*, along with) your lord.” She then bore a foetus which was like the flower (*i.e.* productive of the fruit) of the desires of her lord. Thereupon the King, too, who excelled even *Indra* in riches, having invited all his princely friends, celebrated with great splendour befitting his riches and desires, the *Sīmanta* festival of his queen.

Once, while seated on the throne in the audience-hall, with his well-wishing (*or*, trusty) friends, ministers and family-priest, the King, who lacked not merits, was humbly informed by the door-keeper with his folded hands touching his forehead, that an ascetic, worthy of being worshipped with special preparation by His Majesty, and desirous of being admitted to His Majesty's presence, had arrived at the door of the court. Permitted by him (the king), he conducted the ascetic into the royal presence. The King, looking at him as he was coming, recognized him well to be one of his spies in disguise, dismissed all his followers, and, accompanied by his ministers, asked him with a smile as he humbly bowed before him—“ Well, ascetic, do you communicate to us the information gathered by you while wandering over the country in a disguise.” The spy, who was able to wander over the world, replied with folded

hands :—" Your Majesty, in profound obedience to Your royal command, putting on this blameless garb of a hermit (i.e., which leaves no room for suspicion) I entered the capital of the King of Málwā; and living there with the utmost secrecy, I collected all the information with regard to the King and returned here. Having suffered a defeat at the hands of Your Majesty in a battle in which all his warriors were killed (*lit.*, which proved an obstacle in the way of the long life of his warriors), proud Mánasára, with his heart touched by (i.e. filled with) shame and full of cruel thoughts (of vengeance), propitiated the imperishable Mahéśvara, the lord of Kálí, abiding in the shrine of Mahákála. Having obtained from the deity, pleased by the power (fervour) of his penance, a formidable mace having power to slay one mighty enemy, he, looking upon himself as a matchless warrior, is preparing in the height of his pride to march against Your Majesty. Now Your Majesty will decide what further to do." When the ministers heard this, they determined what was proper for the King to do and said to him—" Lord, the enemy is coming with the God (Śiva) for his helper, against whom there is no remedy. It is not, therefore, advisable on our part to fight at this time; the fort should be at once resorted to." Though thus repeatedly requested by them, the King, distinguished by not a little pride, disdained their counsel as unworthy of being acted upon, and determined to offer a counter-fight. Mánasára, powerful on account of the weapon given by God Śiva, took the lead of the warriors who were bent on fighting, and, equipped with all the necessities (of war), easily advanced into Magadha. Informed of this, the ministers prevailed upon the King, the lord of Magadha, with great difficulty, and lodged the women of the palace, guarded by the hereditary force, in a place impregnable to the enemies, in the heart of the Vindhya forest. Rājahansa marched out with great speed with a select and intrepid force, and opposed his enemy, exasperated (on that account). In the battle, which took place between these two warriors who had formed enmity towards each other, and which filled with wonder the heavenly beings that had come to observe the fight out of curiosity, the King of Málwā, desirous of victory, hurled the mace previously given to him by Śiva, against the King of the Magadhas, who had equalled the lord of immortals (*viz.* Indra) in battles which

were graced by his steady use of various weapons. Though splintered by a number of sharp arrows, the mace, through the infallibility of the decree of Śiva, killed the charioteer, and left the king senseless in the chariot; the horses, that were unwounded, being freed from the control of reins, ran off with the chariot, fortunately into the very thickets that had given shelter to that King's household. The King of Mālwa, now crowned with success, overran the great kingdom of the Magadhas and took his own residence in Pushpapura.

The ministers of Rājahansa exhausted with wounds (or, strokes) from numerous weapons, but fortunately not dead, having revived, owing to the breezes at the close of the night, somehow took heart and sought for the King on all sides; but not finding him, they approached the Queen in a miserable plight. Having heard from them of the destruction of the whole army and the disappearance of the King, Vasumati, dejected and plunged in the ocean of sorrow, determined to follow her lord (in death); but the ministers and the family-priest dissuaded her from her purpose, with soothing words, saying—"O blessed Queen, the King's death is uncertain; moreover, there resides in your womb a beautiful and delicate prince, who, as predicted by the astrologers, is to uproot the enemy who is puffed up with pride, and is to be the supreme lord of the whole earth. So it will be improper on your part to put an end to your life now." Then at this, though uneasy at heart, she stood silent for a while. At midnight, when the eyes of the attendants were sealed with sleep, the Queen, unable to bear the excessive grief (*lit.*, to get over the ocean of grief), being left alone, slowly and noiselessly crossed the place where the camp lay and came to the Vāṭa-tree hard by, where, the chariot being entangled, the horses of the King, completely exhausted on account of the journey and fatigued by running while drawing the chariot and unable to proceed further, had halted before. Having prepared a noose with the half of her upper-garment, as a means of death, tied to the branch of the tree, which was as it were the line of death, that beautiful lady, who was desirous of dying and who by the sweetness of her voice surpassed (*lit.* rendered unmelodious the note of) the cuckoo, exclaimed mournfully, with her throat choked with tears—"Lord of Earth, who

by your beauty equalled Cupid, may you yourself be my husband in my next life also." The King of Magadha, who had fainted owing to the loss of profuse blood, but who had just gained consciousness by the touch of the flood of the rays of the moon, heard these words, and making quite sure that they were of his queen, gently called out to her with sweet words. She, with her lotus-like face blooming with the overwhelming joy of her heart, hastily came to him, and devouring him with her winkless eyes that had fasted as it were, loudly called out to her ministers and family-priest and showed him to them. The ministers praised the greatness of luck, touched the lotus-like feet of the King with their foreheads, and said—"Lord, the horses, when the charioteer was killed, brought the chariot, with great speed, to the wood." The King related to them that in the battle wherein the bulk of his army was killed, he fainted, being struck with the mace which the relentless Mánasára, who had propitiated Śiva, had discharged at him, and that it was but just then that he was brought back to his senses in that forest by the cool breezes of the early morning. Then the ministers observed a festival, and in good time, when fate showed itself to be favourable, brought the king to the camp, took out all the tips of arrows (from his body), and quickly made him, whose lotus-like face (now) bloomed, free from his wounds. And now at the desire of the ministers, the wise queen Vasumatī consoled, in sweet words, the King, whose valour was set aside by adverse fate, who was looking extremely miserable and whose agony was excessive. She said—"Lord, since Your Majesty, the most illustrious and greatest of the whole host of kings, has now to reside in the midst of this Vindhya forest, prosperity that shines, being comparable with water-bubbles, rises and disappears suddenly like a flash of lightning; all affairs must, therefore, be regarded as depending on destiny. Moreover, formerly, Hariśchandra, Rámachandra and other innumerable kings, who with their riches equalled Indra, after fully experiencing adversity as a consequence of ill-luck, enjoyed their kingdoms afterwards for a long time. Similar will be the case of Your Majesty. Now, being free from mental affliction, you should pass some time being reconciled to fate (or, with the consolation that your misery is due to providence only)."

Then Rājahamsa, accompanied by the whole of his army, went to see a holy sage, named Vāmadeva, resplendent with penance and the means of gaining his object. He bowed to him, and being hospitably received by him, he told him everything. Having lived for some time in his hermitage, which removed all his fatigue, Rājahamsa, who was an ornament to the lunar race, and who was laconic in his speech, desirous of regaining his kingdom, said to the sage—"Revered Sir, Mānasāra, having defeated me with the power of luck that was excessively great, has now been enjoying the kingdom which is rightfully my own. I have now approached your reverence devoted to asceticism, with the thought that I, too, like him, shall be able to uproot my enemy through your all-saving compassion, by practising severe religious austerities." Then the omniscient sage replied—"Friend, there is no necessity for practising penance which causes emaciation of the body. The prince, that lies in the womb of Vasumatī, will assuredly turn out to be the exterminator of all your foes; remain quiet for some time." These words were confirmed in their truth at that very time by a voice in the air. The King, too, waited (*i. e.*, remained inactive), fully relying upon the words of the sage.

Then after the completion of the period of pregnancy, Vasumatī, at an auspicious moment, gave birth to a son endowed with all the auspicious signs. Under the guidance of the family-priest, who equalled even Brahmā by his spiritual effulgence, the King who knew what was to be done bestowed the name Rājavāhana on his delicate son who looked bright on account of his birth-rites being performed, and with child's ornaments. At the same time there were born sons of great beauty, having the lustre of the rising moon, and endowed with long life, to the King's four ministers. The son of Sumati was named Pramati; of Sumantra, Mitragupta; of Sumitra, Mantragupta; and of Suśruta, Viśruta. Rājavāhana grew up, together with his friends, the sons of the ministers, enjoying the sports of childhood.

One day a hermit affectionately delivered a young boy, that gave delight to the eyes and was decked with the auspicious marks of a prince, to the King, and said,—“O King. being out in the forest one day to bring the *Kuśa* grass

and holy sticks, I saw a young woman, who looked helpless and obviously miserable, and who was shedding tears. Being asked by me why she was weeping in that dreary forest, she wiped off her tears with her fingers and replied with sobs—"Revered sage, while Prahāravarma, the king of Mithilā, who had conquered (surpassed) even Cupid by his beauty and who by his fame had occupied the assembly of gods, was staying for some time with his queen and sons in Pushpapura, for the celebrations of the *Sīmanta* festival of the queen of his friend, the King of Magadha, the King of Mālwa, who had propitiated Śiva with his devotion, marched upon the King of Magadha. In the great battle that ensued between these two great warriors, Prahāravarma, the king of Mithilā, who was helping his friend, was captured, his army being destroyed, by the victorious enemy, but was released by him, owing to his own religious merit and out of mercy. He returned to his own capital with that portion of his army which had escaped being slaughtered and which was spiritless. Then, while passing by a perilous forest-path, he was impetuously attacked by a party of Śabaras superior in strength. Meeting with this formidable obstruction on the way, he effected his escape, the ladies of his harem being safely escorted by his hereditary troops. I and my daughter, who were engaged as nurses to the King's twin sons, were unable to keep pace with him in his rapid flight; while there (in the wood), a certain tiger, as if fury incarnate, and open-mouthed, hastily came up to devour me. I, who was terrified, stumbled over a projecting stone and fell down; the boy, who dropped from my hands, lay hidden beneath the carcass of a brown cow. An arrow let fly from a bow deprived the tiger of his life as he was furiously dragging that carcass. The Śabaras took away—I know not where—the boy (beautiful) with the moving looks of hair; nor do I know where my daughter, who had charge of the other prince, went. I, who lay in a trance, was found by a kind-hearted cowherd who took me to his hut and healed me of my wounds. Thus recovered, I now wish to go to the King again, but I am now perplexed (do not know what to do), on account of my helpless condition and of the ignorance of the whereabouts of my daughter." At this she departed, adding that she would go even alone to her master. I, too, experiencing the sorrow

caused by the distress of your friend, the king of Mithilā, and desiring to seek his son, the scion of his family, approached at the time a beautiful temple of Chāṇḍikā. There I addressed the Kirātas, who were desirous of making an oblation of a fair child to the goddess, to ensure continual success of the sort they had then achieved, and who were saying among themselves—"We shall kill him with a sword by suspending him by the branch of a tree, or by means of a number of sharp arrows aimed at him after fixing his feet by digging (a hole) in the surface of sand, or by causing young dogs to kill him as he will be running on all fours." I said—"Valiant foresters, I am an old Brāhmaṇa, who missed my way as I passed with my son through this wood where a journey is perilous. I left him somewhere in the shade, and went some distance to recover the track. [When I returned I had lost him]. I do not know, even after a careful search, where he went or by whom he was taken. Several days have passed without my seeing his face. What am I to do or where am I to go to? Was he not seen by you?" They said, "Revered Brāhmaṇa, we have here a boy; if he be really your son, then you may take him away." With these words they luckily handed him over to me. I gave them many blessings, took the child, and revived him by means of cool water and other remedies, and have brought him unhesitatingly to you; may you, who are in the place of a father to him, protect him, of long life!" The King, in his pleasure at the sight of that prince, forgot to some extent his grief at the distress of his friend, named him Upahāravarmaṇ, and brought him up like his own son Rājavāhana.

One holy day, as Ra'jahamṣa was going for bath at a holy place, along a path close by the habitation of the Śābaras, he, observing child of incomparable form (beauty), fondled by a woman, out of curiosity asked her—"Fair woman, this boy, of a charming form and endowed with princely qualities, does not seem to be one of your own race. Kindly tell me, in truth, (as to) whose eyes he used to delight and and for what reason he came to be in your charge." The Sa'bara woman bowed down and gracefully replied,—Sire, while the army of the Śābaras was making away with all the property of the king of Mithilā, Indra's peer, as he happened

to be on the road near their residence, my husband took this child and gave him to me, and thus he grew up." The King who knew his duty, on hearing this concluded that he was the second prince as told by the sage, and having prevailed on the woman by persuasion and gifts (to relinquish the child), called him Apaha'ravarman and gave him over to his Queen to be taken care of.

Somadevas'arman, the pupil of the sage Va'madeva, one day placed a boy before the King and said—"King, as was returning, after having bathed at Ra'matirtha, I saw on the forest-ground this child of a bright form who was held up (in her hands) by a certain woman; and I respectfully asked her—"Old woman, who are you and why are you wandering with great difficulty in this forest bearing this child?" The old lady replied—"Excellent ascetic, in the island called Kālayavana there lives an eminent merchant, of great opulence, Kālagupta by name. A handsome merchant called Ratnodbhava, the son of a minister of the King of Magadha, who had come from this island, who was the abode of (all) amiable qualities, and who had wandered over the circle of the earth, married his daughter, named Suvrittā, who gave joy to the eyes (of all), and was honoured with an abundance of rich presents by his father-in-law. In course of time his fair wife became pregnant; then Ratnodbhava, with a desire to see his brother, somehow prevailed upon his father-in-law, and having got on board a ship with this (young lady) of tremulous eyes, set off for Pushpapura; the boat, lashed by a series of angry breakers, sank in the ocean. I who was engaged as her nurse bore the lady, dull on account of the weight of her (developed) foetus, on my hands; and getting upon a plank fortunately reached shore-land. I do not know whether Ratnodbhava with his friends was drowned there or reached the coast by some means. Suvrittā, having suffered the utmost pain, gave birth to a son to-day in this forest. She is lying under a tree with a thick shade, senseless on account of the throes of child-birth. As it was not possible to live in this lonely forest, I who set out in search of a way leading to some country, also took the infant with me, thinking that it would be improper to leave the baby beside her, as she was unconscious." Just at that moment a wild elephant appeared on the scene. Frightened at the sight she dropped the boy and ran away. I hid myself in a neighbouring thicket of creepers, and stood awaiting the

issue of events. As the elephant picked up the fallen infant with his trunk, as if it were a mouthful of sprouts, a lion, with a terrific roar, fell upon the animal with a fierce grip. The boy, hurled at once into the sky by the elephant overpowered with fear, fell down. As he had a long lease of life, he was caught by a monkey that was seated on a lofty branch of a tree, taking him for some ripe fruit, but was thrown at the root of a stretching branch on finding that he was other than a fruit. The monkey too went somewhere; the infant, on account of its innate vitality, bore all that trouble. The lion, having killed the elephant, likewise disappeared somewhere. I, too, issuing forth from my creeper-house, gently took down the lustrous child from the tree and went in quest of the woman. Not finding her in the forest I brought the child with me, presented it to my preceptor, and by his direction have brought it to your presence." The King, who was filled with great wonder at the simultaneous misfortune of all his friends, feeling concerned as to what might have become of Ratnodbhava, named the infant Pushpodbhava, and having imparted all the particulars to Ēsūrta, consigned the son of his younger brother to his care, experiencing sorrow and pleasure at the same time.

Another day Vasumatī, holding a child to her breast, came to her lord. Asked by him as to where the child came from, she replied—"Lord, last night a certain celestial damsel, having placed an infant boy before me and awakened me who was under the seal of sleep, said respectfully—"O Queen, I am a Yaksha girl, Tāravalī by name, the daughter of Maṇibhadra and the beloved of Kāmapāla, the son of your minister Dharmapāla. With the consent of the King of the Yakshas, I have brought this my son (to you) that he might serve your son Rājāvāhana, who is to be in future, the sovereign-lord of the whole earth begirt by the circle of the oceans, and the store of spotless fame. Kindly bring him up who looks like Cupid (the mind-born)." The Yaksha female of bewitching eyes who was respectfully received by me with my eyes dilated with astonishment, also vanished from view. Rājamaṃsa, whose mind was filled with wonder at Kāmapāla's union with a Yaksha damsel, having named his brother's son Arthapāla and informed him of all particulars, called his minister Sumitra, the delighter of his friends, and gave him in his charge.

On another day, a pupil of Vāmadeva, living in his hermitage, brought (*lit.* announced) a boy who was delicate like a flower and who far surpassed even Cupid in form, to the King who had obtained the glory of the gods, and said—“O Monarch, in the course of my pilgrimage to the holy places, I went to the bank of the Kaverī, and there seeing an old woman weeping bitterly, having placed on her lap a child with flowing locks, I asked her who she was, whose eyes the child delighted (*i.e.*, son it was), why she came into the forest and what was the cause of her grief. She wiped off her tears with her hands, and thinking that I was able to take out the dart of sorrow from her heart, (thus) narrated the cause of her grief—‘O Bráhmaṇa youth, Satyavarmá, the younger son of Sitavarmá, the minister of Rájahansa, came to this spot through the desire of visiting holy places. He married, in a certain village (that was a grant to a Bráhmaṇa), Kálī, the daughter of a Bráhmaṇa; she proving barren, he espoused her sister Gaurī, who had the lustre of gold, and by her he had a son. Kálī, out of jealousy, one day took the child with me, his nurse, to this river under some pretext, and pushed us into the stream. Holding up the boy with one hand and swimming (*or*, floating) with the other, I caught hold of the branch of a tree that was borne down by the current of the river and laid the child upon it. As I was thus being borne away by the current of the river, I was bitten by a deadly (*or*, black) serpent clinging to the tree; the tree to which I had clung reached the bank at this spot. I weep with the thought that there is no one to take care of this child in this forest, after I shall be dead on account of the virulence of the poison.’ Just then she fell to the ground (senseless), owing to all her limbs being affected (enveloped) by the flames of the virulent poison spreading within. I, although my heart was touched with pity, was not able to undo the effect of the poison by means of spells; so I looked for a particular medicinal herb in the neighbouring bowers; but when I came back I found her dead (*lit.* with her life departed). Thereupon I consigned her body to flames, full of sorrow, took this helpless child, and seeing that it was impossible to look for Satyavarmá as I had not heard at the time of hearing his story the name of the village where he lived, I have brought it to Your Majesty, thinking that you

alone are the sole protector of the son of your minister." The King, on hearing this, was sad at heart at the uncertainty of the life of Satyavarmá, named the boy Somadatta, and gave him in charge of his uncle Sumati; and he too brought him up with particular care, considering him as his own brother come back.

Rájaváhana, who had practised riding different vehicles and enjoyed the sports of childhood in the company of the boys thus gathered together, had all his purificatory rites performed in due order beginning with the tonsure and the thread-ceremony. Seeing that the Kumáras had attained from their respective teachers the knowledge of all the scripts (*or*, alphabets), cleverness in the languages of all countries, proficiency in the knowledge of the group of the Vedas with their six auxiliaries, a deep insight in poetry, dramatic art, legends, narratives, history, and the multitude of the Purápas with diverse tales; a clever acquaintance with Law, Grammar, Astrology, Logic, Mīmámsá and all other sciences, as well as with the intricacies of the political science as taught by Oháṇakya, Kámandaka and others; skill in playing upon lutes and all other musical instruments; attractive excellence in music and poetics; deftness in the use of gems with medicinal virtue, spells, medicine and the province of magic; skill in riding elephants, horses, and other vehicles; adroitness in handling various weapons; and perfection in thieving, gambling and such other crooked arts; also that they were in blooming youth and active in all undertakings, the King at once obtained very great joy at the thought that he was beyond the reach of all his foes.

UOHOOHVĀSA II.

On one occasion Vāmadeva approached the King who bent before him in reverence, and who was surrounded by the group of the young men who were expert in all the arts, who caused their loveliness to be confounded with the beauty of (*i.e.* who looked beautiful like) Cupid, who had formed a relation of fraternity with one another, who surpassed by their daring even Kārttikeya, who were delicate, and whose palms were marked with signs, such as the victorious flag, (royal) umbrella, the thunderbolt and the sword. After accepting

the worship offered by the King and closely embracing the band of young men whose dark side-locks of hair looked like bees settling upon the two lotuses of his feet and who were to root out their foes (in future), he uttered benedictions upon them and addressed the King in a few and earnest words—“ Lord of the earth, your son with his noble (*lit.* praiseworthy) companions is enjoying youth which has enhanced his beauty and which is as it were the very fruit of your desires. This is, indeed, the time for him to set out with his companions for the conquest of the quarters; so let Rájaváhana, who is now capable of enduring all hardships, start on his tour of the conquest of the quarters.” The princes, lovely like Cupid, with valour like that of Ráma and others, capable of reducing their foes to ashes by their (more) anger, and surpassing even wind in impetuosity, made the King hopeful of success, by marching on for battle. Appointing the other youths as his ministers (*or*, helpers) and having given him proper advice, Rájahansa, on an auspicious occasion, sent the Prince with his attendants for the conquest (of the whole world).

Rájaváhana, noticing good omens (on the way), after having gone over some distance, entered the heart of the Vindhya forest. There he saw a man covered with scars of wounds inflicted by weapons, whose body was as hard as iron, whose Bráhmaṇashood was inferable from his sacred thread, (*but*) who clearly displayed the valour of a Kiráta and who was hideous to look at. Rájaváhana, on being hospitably received by him, said—“ Well, man, why is it that you reside alone in this dreary wood in the midst of the Vindhya forest which is destitute of human habitation and is fit only for wild beasts, and which is haunted by fierce animals (*or*, wherein it is dangerous to move)? This sacred thread lying across your shoulder pronounces you to be a Bráhmaṇa; while these scars of weapons (*i.e.* wounds) indicate (*lit.* lead one to infer) the course of life of a Kiráta. Tell me what this can be.” The stranger, considering that Rájaváhana, being so highly lustrous, could not indeed be an ordinary person possessing ordinary (human) prowess, and, coming to know his name and birth from his friends, related to him his story as follows—“ Prince, in this wood reside many who are Bráhmaṇas (only) in name, who, led by barbarians, go in quest of sinful acts, and eat their food, foregoing the study of the lores such as the Vedas and others,

ignoring the observances of their tribes, and setting aside their religious and social duties such as the observance of truth, purity and the like. Of one of these I am the son, of questionable (evil) habits, named Mátan̄ga. With a party of the Kirátas I used to harry the neighbouring country, seize the wealthy villagers with their women and children, and, having brought them to this forest, I used to put them in custody, taking all their wealth; and thus I led a life of lawlessness (*or*, haughtiness) and cruelty. On one occasion, I observed a party of my associates in a dreary wood on the point of putting to death a Bráhmaṇa, and overcome with compassion I said to them—"Forbear, ye villains, kill not a Bráhmaṇa." They, with their eyes red with anger, reviled me in various ways. Unable to brook their harsh words I fought with them for a long time in order to save the Bráhmaṇa; but being struck by them I lost my life. Thereupon I went to the City of the Dead, and there beholding Yama seated upon a lofty throne studded with splendid jewels in the midst of the assembly and surrounded on all sides by men, in a restored form, I fell prostrate before him; he looked at me, and calling his minister named Chitrágupta, said to him—"Minister, this man's last hour is not yet come: though living a consurable life, he has died in the defence of a Bráhmaṇa. Henceforth there will arise in him a strong desire to do holy deeds, now that all his former sins have been effaced. Let him behold the various tortures here undergone by the greatest sinners and then let him go back to his former body." Chitrágupta, too, showed me the various spots where the sinners were being fastened to red-hot iron pillars, hurled into huge caldrons of scalding oil, had their limbs shattered with clubs or peeled with sharp chisels (*or*, hatchets) and then giving me holy counsel, dismissed me. Restored to that same former body, I found myself in the vast wilderness attended by the (same) Bráhmaṇa whom I had rescued and who was applying cool remedies to me; I lay there for a time sleeping on a stone. After that my agnatic relations, who had heard the story (of my encounter), quickly arrived, and carried me home and dressed my wounds. The grateful Bráhmaṇa taught me the alphabet, explained in detail various Śâstras and the Tantras, gave me full instructions as regards the rules of good conduct which annihilate sin, and told me the proper way to worship Śiva (*lit.* the moon-crested god)

who can be perceived only by the eye of knowledge, and having accepted the worship I paid to him, left me. From that time, being free from the taint (of sin), I quitted the group of the families of my relatives who were associating with the Kirâtas, and have been living here in this forest, mentally meditating upon the One God of all the worlds, Śiva (*lit.* the god who bears on his head the crescent-moon as an ornament). Lord, I have some secret to communicate to you in private; please follow me." Having led him away from his friends, he thus continued in private—"Towards the close of last night Śiva approached me in a dream, and awakening me whose eyes were sealed with sleep, said with a beaming face to me as I bowed humbly before him—"Mātaṅga, in the region along the bank of the river that flows through the Daṇḍaka forest, and behind the Śphaṭikaliṅga that is worshipped by the Siddhas and the Sādhyas, and near the stone marked with the rows of the foot-prints of the daughter of the Himālaya mountain, is a chasm, which is as it were the door (*lit.* mouth) of a propitious fate. Entering it, take the copper-plate that is placed there as though it were a command of Fate, and perform the rites prescribed thereon as though it were gaining victory over Fate, and you will be the sovereign of Pātāla; the Prince who is to help you in this undertaking will come here to-day or to-morrow." And Your Honour's coming here happens quite in conformity with his injunctions. Now please give me, who am well pleased and desirous of securing means, your aid." Rājavāhana assented, and at mid-night, leaving his friends who were in the power of sleep, went, accompanied by Mātaṅga who bowed his head before him, to another wood. Thereafter, when his followers woke in the morning and missed him completely, they were sad at heart; they carefully searched for him in various parts of the forest; but, not finding him, they, who were very hardy, departed separating from one another for going to various places with a desire to find him out, after having appointed their place of meeting.

Mātaṅga, full of joy at heart at being protected by the Prince, the world's matchless warrior, fearlessly entered the chasm made out by means of the signs described to him by the moon crested Śiva, took the copper plate and with it penetrated the path to Pātāla. There, in the vicinity of a city .

near a tank in a sportive garden with full-blown lotuses (or, with swans swimming about), Mátan̄ga offered a sacrifice with oblations of various kinds prepared in accordance with the directions of Śiva, and whilst Rájavahana was looking on with astonishment and ready to remove obstacles, he (Mátan̄ga), after reciting some *mantras*, cast his holy frame into fire well-kindled with the *samidhs* and ghee, and obtained a celestial form with the dazzling brightness of lightning. After this a damsel, an ornament to womankind in all the three worlds, decorated with a number of ornaments richly set with gems, and attended with a train of modest female friends, gently approached with the gait of a swan and presented to the excellent Bráhmaṇa a splendid jewel; and to his inquiry as to who she was, she, with the impassioned accents of a cuckoo, thus very gently replied with folded hands—"O worthy Bráhmaṇa, I am the daughter of the King of the Asuras. My name is Kálindī. My father of mighty prowess, who was the ruler of this world, was destroyed (*lit.* made a guest of the capital of Yama) by Viṣṇu impatient of his (my father's) fame, in a fight in which the gods were routed. A Siddha ascetic, seeing that I was plunged in an ocean of grief at his loss, compassionately announced to me that a man, unknown to me and appearing in a heavenly form, would become my husband and be the protector of the whole Pátála. On hearing his prediction, I long awaited your sight, as the female Chátaka awaits the rainy season, looking up for the roaring of clouds. On learning of your arrival which is as it were the fruit of my desires, I have come here with the concurrence of my ministers, the very pillars of the state, and with the guidance of my mind impelled by love; so kindly accept the Royalty of this Nether World and make me her rival wife." Mátan̄ga, too, with the assent of Rájavahana, married that youthful damsel, and being exceedingly pleased by his acquisition of the celestial lady, accepted the kingdom of Pátála and attained (thereby) the highest joy.

Rájavahana, wishing to go to the earth with a desire to see his friends from whom he had stolen away, asked Mátan̄ga, who had followed him to some distance, to go back, receiving, from him who was pleased with the help rendered to him, the jewel that was given to him by Kálindī and that

had the virtue of dispelling the pain caused by thirst, hunger and the like ; and he came out by the path of the chasm. Not finding his friends there, he wandered over the earth (in search of them). In the course of his wanderings he came to a garden in a suburb of Ujjain, and as he was about to rest there he saw a man, who had come to the garden, who was mounted in a palanquin (or, on a swing) with his wife and attended by his relatives. He, too, with his mind swelling with ecstatic joy, and his lotus-like face beaming, exclaimed—"Oh, this is my master, Rājavāhana, the ornament of the lunar race, and the store of spotless fame! Owing to extreme good luck I have come to be at his lotus-like feet all of a sudden! It now has been a great festival to my eyes!" With these words he quickly alighted from the swing, and, advancing gracefully with hasty steps indicative of excessive joy, touched with his head, from which the wreath of blooming Mālikā flowers dropped down, the two lotus-like feet of Rājavāhana who had advanced three or four steps to receive him. The Prince, with eyes filled with the tears of great joy, closely embraced him whose body was thrilled (with emotion), and exclaimed—"Ah, here is our Somadatta!" Then, sitting under the cool shade of some Punnāga tree, the Prince affectionately said to him—"Friend, in what place and in what manner were you staying so long? Where do you go to now, who is this damsel, and how did you come to have this retinue? Explain (all)."

Somadatta, too, folding his lotus-like hands so as to resemble a bud, now free from the excessively burning (*lit.* violent) fever of anxiety on account of the meeting with his friend, modestly narrated (thus) the account of his own wanderings:—

UCHCHHVĀSA III.

"Lord, whilst wandering (in quest of Your Highness) I, who had a strong desire to serve these lotus-like feet, was oppressed with thirst; while drinking the water of a river, cool and shaded by creepers, in a forest-region, I saw there a gem of a very brilliant appearance. I took it and walked some distance, when, being unable to proceed owing to the sun's growing excessively scorching, I entered a temple that was in that same forest; in it I saw an old Brāhmaṇa with a sad face and surrounded by several sons. With my compassion roused, I asked him if he fared well. With a face

turned pale on account of misery, and full of great hopes, the Bráhmaṇa replied—"Sir, I live here in this temple of Śiva, protecting these motherless sons of mine by various means, and feeding them on food obtained by begging in this barren spot." Asked as to the country over which the master of of the army lying encamped there ruled, his name, and the cause of his coming there, the Bráhmaṇa answered—"Gentle sir, Mattakāla, King of the Lāṭa country, having repeatedly heard of the daughter of Vīraketu, the King of this country, Vāmalochanā by name and a jewel of matchless beauty among young women, asked for her; but his suit being rejected, he besieged his capital, when, being greatly terrified, Vīraketu also gave her up to him as a rich present. The Lāṭa King (Mattakāla), delighted at heart by the acquisition of the young lady, determined to espouse her in his own capital and being on his way back to his country has encamped with his army in this forest out of an earnest desire to hunt. The minister of Vīraketu, Mānapāla by name, who regards self-respect as his treasure, appointed to escort the Princess, encamped separately with his four-fold army, and being pained at heart by the humiliation of his master, secretly plotted treason against him." Finding that the Bráhmaṇa had many sons, was learned, poor, old, and so worthy of a gift, I, with my mind filled with pity, gave him the jewel. At that, with his face beaming with very great joy, he pronounced many blessings upon me and departed to some place. Exhausted with the fatigue of the journey, I enjoyed sound sleep in that place. Soon after, the Bráhmaṇa, with his arms pinioned behind him, and with his body marked with slashes of whips, came there under the guard of a number of swordsmen, and pointed at me with the words—"This is the thief." The king's officers quitted the Bráhmaṇa, and without listening to my explanation as to how I got the jewel, bound me, who was quite fearless, closely with ropes, and taking me to a prison pointed out to me a number of people in fetters, saying—"These are your comrades," and put my feet also in chains. Being at a loss to know what to do next, and suffering from a distress which offered no hope of extrication, I addressed them—"Men of intrepid valour, for what reason are you suffering from the misery, difficult to be got over, of a prison life? I was pointed out by these

as your associate; what does it mean?" Seeing me in that condition and having told me the story of the king of Lāṭa that I had heard from the Brāhmaṇa, the valiant robbers further said—"We are the servants of Mānapāla, Vīraketu's minister. At his command we broke by night through a subterranean passage into the apartment of the king of Lāṭa with intention to kill him; but, being disappointed at not finding him there, we stole a large quantity of valuables and entered a dense forest. Next day many attendants of the King, following the track of our foot-steps, came upon us as we had the mass of wealth in our possession, and surrounding us from all sides, closely tied us and led us near (the King). At the time of recounting all the stolen things, they, missing a precious (*lit* priceless) jewel, put us in chains in order to kill us for the recovery of the gem." From what I heard of the gem and the place where it was found, I concluded that it was the same gem, and told them how my bad plight was due to the gift of it to the Brāhmaṇa, also my birth, name, and how I wandered in quest of Your Honour; and by means of mutual conversations suited to the occasion, I contracted their friendship. Then at midnight, having broken my chains as well as theirs, and being followed by them, I took hold of the weapons of the guards who were asleep, and putting to flight, with an easy display of sharp valour, those of the city-guards who faced us, we entered the camp of Mānapāla. When he heard from his servants the account of my family, and my self-respect and valour shown at that time, he treated me with respect. The following day, men sent by Mattakāla came to Mānapāla and uttered before him these exceedingly harsh words—"Minister, some daring thieves coming to my palace through a subterranean passage, and having stolen a good deal of wealth, have entered your camp. Hand them over to me, or else a great disaster will follow." On hearing these words, the minister with his eyes reddened with ire, sent them back with this reproof—"Who is this King of Lāṭa? Of what avail is his friendship to us, and what are we to gain by serving that pauper?" They reproduced the very vaunting words of Mānapāla before Mattakāla; though enraged, the Lāṭa King, through the pride of power of his arms, marched for fight with a few soldiers. Proud Mānapāla, who had ready

determined to fight and was fully prepared with all his soldiers, fearlessly marched out, strongly desiring the contest. I also was respectfully provided by the minister with a chariot with good steeds and a skilful charioteer, a very strong breast-plate, a suitable bow with a pair of quivers full of various kinds of arrows, and various arms required for fighting; with these I equipped myself for fight, and followed the minister who had made ready to root out his enemy, relying on my prowess. Leaving the two armies that were fighting fiercely out of mutual spite, I struck the foe by showering arrows upon him with the quick and dexterous movement of my arms. Then I led near the foe my chariot with very fleet horses, and overtaking his chariot with a quick jump, I cut off his head. He having fallen dead on the battlefield, his remaining troops fled, and the minister filled with (*lit.* bent under) ecstatic joy took all kinds of war-prizes such as horses, elephants and others, and honoured me in many ways. The King, having fully heard this account from the attendant dispatched by Mānapāla, was highly pleased, and came to honour me; and being struck with my valour, with the full assent of his minister and relatives he gave his daughter to me in marriage on an auspicious day, celebrating the event with great festivities. Appointed as heir-apparent, I gratified the King's mind day by day, and though being in company of this beautiful lady I was enjoying various kinds of pleasures, still my heart (experiencing the distress easily to be felt owing to the dart of the pain of your separation, I came to-day with my wife to this region, the fruit whereof is the sight of a friend, by the direction of a Siddha (seer) in order to propitiate Śiva who resides in this temple of Mahākāla. Through the mercy of Śiva (*lit.* the lord of Pārvatī) who is kind to his devotees, I have now obtained the excess of joy at the sight of your lotus-like feet."

On hearing this, Rājavāhana praised him highly for his valour, and censuring Fate for the punishment he suffered without any fault of his, he related to him in due order his own account. Just then, seeing before him Pushpodbhava, Rājavāhana in great hurry embraced him very closely as he stood before him with folded hands after touching his feet with his own forehead, and with his large eyes filled with the tears of joy, said to Somadatta—"Friend Somadatta, here

is our Pushpodbhava !” Forgetting their grief of long separation, they enjoyed the pleasure of embracing each other. Seated under the shade of the same tree, the Prince with a respectful smile said—“ Friend, wishing to aid the Bráhmaṇa in his undertaking and knowing full well that my friends, if they came to know my object would surely come in my way, I went away, leaving all of you asleep. Where did my friends go to in quest of me after being awake, and what did they think was the reason of my disappearance ? Where had you been alone ? ” At this he raised his folded hands to his forehead and humbly replied :—

UOCHHVĀSA IV.

“ Lord, although we, your friends, made quite sure that Your Highness left us only for doing good to the Bráhmaṇa, yet being unable to come to a decision as to where you went, we separated from one another and went out in all the directions to seek for you. I, too, while wandering over the earth in search of Your Highness, rested for a moment, unable to bear the hot rays of the mid-day sun, under the cool shade of a tree at the foot of a mountain. Suddenly I saw before me the shadow of a human being, with all its limbs contracted owing to it being mid-day, and having the form of a tortoise ; and looking up, I with my heart overpowered by compassion supported, while yet in midway, a person falling down from the sky with great velocity. Slowly placing him on the earth, I revived him with cool remedies, as he had become unconscious on account of his fall from a great height, and asked him, whose eyes were filled with tears owing to extreme grief, the reason of his falling from a precipice. He wiped off his tears with his hands (*lit.* fingers) and said—“ I am the son of Padmodbhava, the minister of the king of Magadha ; my name is Ratnodbhava. I went as a merchant to Kálavāna island, where I married a merchant's daughter. I was returning with her, when our ship sank in the sea not far from the shore, and all were drowned except myself, who reached land with great difficulty, fate being favourable to me. Weltering in the ocean of grief consequent on the loss of my wife, I passed sixteen years, with great difficulty, out of respect to the counsel of a holy seer ; but seeing no end of my misery even yet, I

threw myself from a precipice." Just at this moment, the sonorous sound of a female's plaint was heard—"Indeed, it is not proper that you, being unable to bear separation any longer, are throwing yourself in fire, when according to the prediction of the holy seer, you are to be reunited with your husband and son." On hearing this, I said to him, knowing in my mind that he was my father—"Father, I have much to say to you; well, I will tell you everything afterwards. I must first attend to (*lit.* must not neglect) this female voice (of pain); kindly rest here for a moment." I ran off accordingly to some distance, when I beheld before me a woman with folded hands about to do the desperate deed of throwing herself into a fire filled with fierce flames; I hastily took her away from the fire, and with her old attendant who was crying aloud, brought her into my father's presence, and asked the old woman to tell us who they were and why they were in such a hard condition in the forest. She sobbingly replied—"Son, this is Suvrittá, the daughter of a certain merchant named Kálagupta of Kálavyana island. While returning with her husband, Ratnodbhava, the ship was wrecked and sank in the ocean. She supported herself getting on a plank along with me, her nurse, and fortunately reached the shore; and the time of her delivery being near, she was delivered of a son in the forest. The boy being carried off (from me) owing to my ill-luck by a wild elephant, she, while wandering with me, was told by a seer that sixteen years would restore her to her child and husband. Fully relying upon the words of the sage, she passed that time in a holy hermitage; but, unable to endure the endless grief, she was ready to cast her body into the blazing fire." On hearing it I knew that she was my mother, and prostrating myself at her feet told her my full story and presented her to my father whose face had brightened at the words of the nurse and eyes dilated through wonder. My parents knew each other from the tokens of recognition, and, delighted at heart, bathed me, as I stood humbly before them, with a shower of the tears of joy, embraced me closely, and smelling me on the forehead sat down in the shade of a tree. Being asked by my father how His Majesty Rájahansa was doing, I related to him everything, his loss of his kingdom, your birth, the way in which all other *Kumáras* came together, your commencement of the conquest of the

quarters, how you went with Mātāṅga, and the reason why we were searching for you. Then, leaving them both in the hermitage of a sage, I prosecuted my search for you. Knowing full well that money was the chief means for all undertakings, I procured a group of disciples very skilful in aiding me in the magic-power that I had obtained through your favour, and came to the (ruined) sites of old cities in the Vindhya forest. Knowing, by means of the collyrium of magical virtue, that there lay vessels full of riches under trees which indicated various treasures underneath, I dug them out with spades, while the guards kept watch all round, and formed a heap of countless Dināras. Thence, going to a caravan of traders that had just arrived and had encamped not far off, I bought stout oxen and bags. I loaded the bags with that gold, giving out that it was some other substance, and got them slowly conveyed to the camp by those (bullocks). I formed friendship with Ohandrapāla, a merchant's son, the leader of that caravan, and came to Ujjain in his company. I also brought my parents thither, and being introduced to the king of Málwā by Bandhupāla, Ohandrapāla's father and a very accomplished man, I lived under disguise with the assent of the king. Then, as I was ready to go in search of you in forest-lands, Bandhupāla, my great friend, coming to know that, asked me to sit quiet with an easy mind, it being impossible for me to search you over the whole boundless earth, and said that he would impart to me favourable signs indicating a meeting with you, our leader. My heart being comforted by his nectar-like words, I waited upon him daily, and there I saw, one day, Bálachandriká, the loveliest (lit. a jewel among) maidens, with a face (charming) like the moon, all her limbs in fresh (blooming) youth, and the very moon-light to the eyes, as if she were the glory incarnate of her father's family; and the constancy of my mind being shaken by her beauty, I became an easy mark of the arrows of Cupid. She also, with her eyes unsteady like those of a startled young fawn, often looked at me with sidelong glances which served as the arrows of Cupid, and trembled like a creeper waved by a gentle breeze. She silently (*lit. mentally*) conveyed the desire of her mind by means of her meaning glances directed to me, which were contracted, in which the pupils were driven to the corners, and which stood midway between love and

bashfulness. Having clearly perceived her love for me from her clever but covert gestures, I began to think of some remedy that would bring about an easy union with her. On one occasion, Bandhupála, wishing to know by means of omens what had become of you, went, accompanied by me, to a pleasure-garden in the suburbs of Ujjain and stood under a tree, listening to the language of the birds. While he was thus engaged, I, seeking to dispel the uneasiness of my mind, wandered through the woods, and, coming to the bank of a pool, beheld Bálachandriká, who had become the sole object of my desires, looking sad, and with her mind labouring under (some) anxiety. I enjoyed for a time the pleasure of observing her amorous actions, rendered charming by the sudden rise of love, bashfulness and curiosity; and noticing dejection, arising from the pain of love-torment, on the lotus-like face of that maid with beautiful teeth, I, out of a desire to know its cause, approached the fair-faced one amorously, and said—

“Tell me, O sweet-faced one, the cause of the sad look on your lotus-like face.” Encouraged by the privacy of the place, she banished her coyness and diffidence, and thus slowly addressed me—“Noble youth, Mánasâra, the lord of Málwâ, being far advanced in years, crowned his son, Darpasâra, as the sovereign of Ujjayinî. That prince, in the hope of ruling over the whole earth bounded by the seven seas, has gone to the mountain Kailâsa to practise religious austerities, having appointed the sons of his paternal aunt, Chaṇḍavarmâ and Dâruvarmâ, of dreadful deeds, to govern the earth. Chaṇḍavarmâ is managing the kingdom with a firm hand (*lit.* so as to leave no enemy), while Dâruvarmâ, disregarding the admonitions of his elder brother and uncle, commits all sorts of atrocious acts, such as seizing the wives and wealth of his people. He once saw me, who have fixed my mind on you having a beauty like that of Cupid; and, regardless of the crime of polluting a virgin, he is seeking to appropriate my person by violence. In (constant) alarm of his attempts I live wretched.” I learnt her wishes as well as her intense love for me, and having heard what the obstacle was in the way of the accomplishment of my desires, I comforted her whose eyes were filled with tears; and having thought over a plan to bring about the death of Dâruvarmâ, I said to my beloved—“Youthful damsel, I have just hit upon a clever

plan to put to death this wicked man who has a wishful eye on you. Your relations, whose veracity is undoubted, should repeatedly circulate among the citizens a report that a Yaksha dwells in Bâlachandrikâ, having taken possession of her person, and that a Seer has pronounced that, that man of enterprise fit to be united with her, who, having his heart chained with the hope of (enjoying) her superb charms, will overcome the Yaksha in the sleeping apartment and come out safely after enjoying the pleasure of the sweet words of the fawn-eyed one, accompanied by one female friend, can alone take the hand of the beautiful maiden (*lit.* she whose breasts resemble in shape a pair of *chakravâka* birds). If Dâruvarmâ, hearing speeches of this sort often and often, would sit quiet through fear, it would be well and good; but if, out of his wicked nature, he would offer to have a union with you, your friends should say to him that it would not be proper for the minister of Darpasâra, the king of the world, to embark upon an adventure in their mansion; and that if he should take you with lotus-like eyes to his own dwelling in the presence of the people, and sport with you without danger to his life, he should marry you and enjoy the fruit of his desires. He, too, will consent to this. You should go to his place, accompanied by me dressed in a woman's garb as your female attendant. In the privacy of the place, I shall forcibly kill him with the strokes of my fists, knees and feet; and then, still in the capacity of an attendant, I shall follow you fearlessly out. Thus, having recourse to (*or*, accepting) this plan, you being free from fear and bashfulness should apprise your parents and brothers of our very deep mutual love, and persuade them to bring about our marriage. They will surely give you in marriage to me, a young man of noble birth and richly endowed with beauty and wealth. Impart to them the means I have devised for killing Dâruvarmâ, and let me know their answer." She, too, the lotus of her face blooming a little, said—"Noble one, it is you alone who can kill the wicked Dâruvarmâ. After his death all your desires will be completely fulfilled. Let the plan be carried out. I shall do everything exactly as you have said." This said, she, repeatedly turning her face and looking at me, wended her way

home with gentle steps. I, too, on returning to Bandhupála, learnt from him, who was an expert in interpreting omens, that I should see you after thirty days. After that he went home accompanied by me, and then dismissed me to my place. Bálachandriká, being invited for enjoyment in his pleasure-apartment by Dáruarmá, who was caught in the nooses of the snares of my deceitful plan, prepared to go to his place, and dispatched a female messenger to me. I, too, skilfully put in their respective places the various articles of decoration proper for a young damsel, such as the jewelled anklets, the girdle, the bracelets, the armlets, the ear-ornaments, the pearl necklace, silk-garments and the collyrium, and thus putting on a charming disguise, went with my beloved to the door of his house. Our arrival being reported to him by the door-keeper, he received us with respect, dismissed all his attendants near the door, and took Bálachandriká with me to the house previously settled upon. The citizens, wishing to test the wide-spread report of a Yaksha being in possession of Bálachandriká, flocked to the courtyard of Dáruvarman's house with great curiosity. That indiscriminate fool, in the height of passion, took the young lady to a bed of the downy feathers of geese spread on a golden bedstead inlaid with jewels, gave her and to me—who had put on a charming woman's dress and whom he could not recognize as a male in the darkness of night—gold ornaments set with jewels, very fine garments of diverse colours, sandal-paste mixed with musk, Tábúla (a roll of betel-leaves) with camphor, fragrant flowers, and similar other things, and remained talking with us with jocular words for a period of two *muhûrtas*. Then, blind with passion, he thought of embracing that beautiful girl. Inflamed with anger, I fearlessly hurled him from the bedstead and struck him with fists, knees and feet. I set right my ornaments that had snapped off in the heat of the scuffle, comforted Bálachandriká who was trembling, and coming out into the courtyard, cried out, as if trembling from fear, in loud tones—"Ah! Dáruvarman is being killed by the frightful Yaksha who had seized Bálachandriká! Come at once and see him!" The people gathered there on hearing it, had tears gushing forth, and deafened the quarters with the cries of 'Alas! Alas!' and entered, saying to one another—"In spite of his hearing the

report of a mighty Yakeha having possessed Bálachandriká, Dáruvaramá courted her, being simply blind with passion. So he has been killed by his own deed; what is the use of mourning for him?" In that bustle I quickly withdrew with great dexterity with her of unsteady eyes, and returned to my place. When some days had passed, I, in the presence of the citizens, married the moon-faced maiden according to those instructions of the Seer, and enjoyed in her company many pleasures, previously wished for. On this day, as announced by Bandhupála's omen, I came forth from the town and am fortunate enough to enjoy the pleasure of the sight of Your Highness."

Thus having heard the account of his friend, Rájaváhana with a joyful heart narrated to him his own adventures and those of Somadatta, and having directed Somadatta to follow him after his worship of Śiva was over, and after he had conveyed his wife with her retinue to his camp, he, attended by Pushpodbhava, entered the town of Avanti, which looked like a heaven on earth. Pushpodbhava introduced the prince, as the son of his lord, to Bandhupála and his other relatives, and, causing great honour to be shown to him, arranged about his bath, meals, etc. every day at his own place, making it known in the whole town that he was an eminent Bráhmaṇa, proficient in all the arts.

UCHOHHVA'SA V.

The season of Spring now arrived—kindling the fire of love, in the hearts of persons separated from their beloveds, by means of the southern breeze, the leader of Kama's forces, moving slowly as if under the burden of the fragrance of the sandal-trees, and grown very thin as if it were a remnant of itself after it was eaten up by the serpents, the perpetual residents of the trees on the Malaya Mountain; making the circle of the quarters resound with the sweet tunes of the bees and of the cuckoos with their throats rendered melodious by the feast of the honey of the mango-blossoms; cresting longings in the hearts of proud women, causing buds to appear on the Mákondas. Sinduváras, the red Ásokas, the Kimpúkas and the Tilas, and exhilarating the minds of amorous persons for Love's festival. In that exceedingly delightful season, Avantisundarí, the daughter

of Mánasára, attended by her dear friend Bálachandriká and a train of town-ladies, went for enjoying herself to the delightful garden on the border of the city, and diverted herself by worshipping Kâma with a multitude of fragrant materials such as sandal-paste, flowers, turmeric, Akshatâs, and fine silk-garments, in a shady place full of sand at the foot of a young mango-tree. Desirous of beholding the Princess, who was the very image of Rati, Râjavâhana, accompanied by Pushpodbhava, as if Kâma in company of Vasanta, entered the garden, listened again and again, in various spots, to the sweet cooings of flocks of cuckoos, the notes of rows of parrots, and the hummings of the bees on the mango-trees, bright with fruit, blossoms and tender foliage grown in thick clusters from the branches gently agitated by the Malaya breeze; and after repeatedly enjoying the sight of charming pools having pure and cool water and resounding with the sweet notes of the swarms of swans, cranes, ducks and Ohakravâkas, sporting in the beds of the *indivara*, the *kahlâra*, the *kairava* and the *râjîva* lotuses, a little opened, gently and gracefully came to where the princess stood. Beckoned by Bálachandrikâ to come without any fear, Râjavâhana, who surpassed Indra in lustre, approached the beautiful Avantisundarî, who shone as if created by the God of love, who, wishing, on account of the eager desire of Rati, to make a sportive image for her, framed an excellent figure of a woman, and formed its feet out of the beauty of autumnal lotuses growing in his pleasure-lake, and its slow and sportive gait out of the mode of the movement of the intoxicated swans in the garden-ponds; he fashioned its shanks with the beauty of his quiver, and its pair of beautiful thighs with the softness and grace of the (two) plantain-trees, at the door of his pleasure-house; its massive hips he made with the beauty of the wheels of his victorious chariot; he formed her navel, deep like an eddy of the Ganges, in imitation of the hollow of the bud of a lotus just opening, and the three folds in the manner of a flight of steps leading to a terrace, and the thick line of hair out of the beauty of the dark row of bees which forms his bow-string. He fashioned the two breasts with the beauty of the two full golden pots, the arms with the tenderness of his bower of creepers, the neck with the beauty of the victorious conch, its lips, which caused the *bimba* fruit to be compared with them, with the lovely tinge of the

sprouts of the mango-tree, placed on the ear as an ornament, the pure smile out of the beauty of the flowers which form his arrows, its tuneful words with the sweetness of the attractive warblings of the cuckoo, his first messenger, and the wind of its breath out of the fragrance of the Malaya breeze, the leader of all his hosts. He fashioned the two eyes with the grace of the proud fish, his triumphant banner; the eye-brows with the beauty of his bow; its face with the lustre—without its inherent spots—of the moon, his best friend; its thick tresses he formed with the graceful arrangement of the eyes in the peacock's feathers; and its complexion was formed by rubbing it with camphor after being washed with sandal-paste mixed with flower-juice of every kind and musk. That daughter of the king of Mâlwa, who was like Lakshmî incarnate, thought him to be Kâma, the object of her worship, appearing in a visible form to grant the boon sought for, and trembled under the influence of love, like a creeper waving in the gentle breeze. And then desisting from her free sports, she, through modesty, manifested several indescribable emotions. "Indeed, she must have been created quite accidentally by the Creator when creating women; or else, if he be clever at creating such extraordinary female forms, why is it that he creates no other damsel resembling her in beauty?"—thus observed the Prince in wonder and great admiration, and stood looking at her; when, feeling abashed to stand before him, she hid herself among her friends and stood looking with sidelong glances, with eyebrows a little contracted and knit, cast in the direction of Ra'java hana, whose beauty captivated her as the net captivates the deer. The mind of the prince also became the target of the arrows of Cupid, who had as it were got power on account of the full help he received from the various amorous feelings produced in her at that time. She thought thus to herself—"To the eyes of the fortunate young damsels of what town is a feast provided (with his sight) by this prince of uncommon beauty? What among matronly ladies, having sons, is given the first rank by this most eminent of sons being born of her? Who is his queen? What brings him here? Cupid, by tormenting me beyond measure, as if in envy, as I am looking at him who laughs scornfully at his beauty, is really giving significance to his name (viz., 'tormentor of mind'). What am I to do? How

can I get information about him?" Then Bālachandrikā', knowing the state of their minds by the judicious observance of their feelings, but thinking it improper to relate the true history of the prince in the presence of an assembly of ladies, addressed her in words that had a common import—"Princess, this is a young Brāhmaṇa, well-versed in all the arts, who can make a goddess reveal herself before him (when necessary), who is skilled in warfare, who knows the use of jewels, spells and herbs, and is entitled to your reverence. Let him be honoured by you." Hearing this, the princess, much pleased at heart with Bālachandrikā who had recounted what passed in her own mind, and agitated by love like a line of waves ruffled by a gentle breeze, gave a proper seat to the prince who far surpassed Kāma, and offered him the customary worship through her friend, with the best materials such as sandal-paste, flowers. Akshatās. camphor, a roll of betel-leaves and various other things. Rājavāhana also thought to himself—"Certainly, this must be my wife Yajñavatī in my former birth; else such a love for her could not have arisen in my mind; and to both of us equally belongs the power, conferred upon us by the ascetic to remember (the incidents of) our previous life when the curse (pronounced by him) is to cease. Still, I shall arouse knowledge in her by means of sentences suggestive of particular circumstances and given rise to by the occasion." Just then a charming swan arrived near her with a desire to sport. Seeing that Bālachandrikā was deputed by the eager princess to catch the swan, and considering it a fit opportunity to speak, the prince, who was very clever at conversation, gracefully said—"Friend, formerly a certain king, named Śāmba, went with his beloved to a lake full of lotuses for diversion; there, beside a bed of red lotuses, he gently caught a swan whose mind was overpowered by sleep, bound its legs with lotus-fibres, and looking lovingly at the face of his beloved, with one of his round cheeks blooming with a gentle smile, addressed her—"Moon-faced lady, this swan, held captive by me, stands quiet like a sage; let him go as he wills." The swan, on its part, cursed Śāmba, saying—"King, since you, proud of your kingship, have without any cause insulted me. while I, a lifelong religious student, being lost in contem-

plation, was in the enjoyment of supreme felicity in this lotus-bed, you shall suffer the pangs of separation from your beloved, as a penalty for this sinful act." Śâmba, with his face dejected, and unable to bear separation from the mistress of his life, bowed to him, falling on the ground stick-like, and humbly said—"Noble sage, kindly forgive me what I did through ignorance." The hermit, his heart touched with pity, said—"King, my curse will not operate upon you in this life ; but, on account of the infallibility of my words, in your next life you will be, through affection, the lover of this lotus-eyed one, who will have another form ; but being put in chains for two months, as a penalty for your crime of holding me a captive for two *muhûrtas*, you will suffer the anguish of separation from your beloved, and will afterwards enjoy the pleasures of a kingdom with your beloved for a long time." After this, he favoured them also with the power to remember the incidents of their previous lives. Hence you must not take this swan a captive." The princess, on hearing his words, recollected the incidents of her previous life, and decided in her mind that he was her lord. With her mind affected by love, she said with a gentle smile—"Gentle Sir, formerly Śâmba captured the swan in that manner only to please Yajñavatî by doing her bidding. For in this world, out of over-courtesy, even learned persons commit improper acts." The prince and the princess, having thus mentioned for mutual information their respective names in the previous birth, known to them, so as to carry conviction, had their minds replete with love.

Just at the time the queen of Mânasâra, attended by her retinue, came to the place to see her daughter's sport. Bâlachandrikâ saw her from afar, and fearing that the secret might be disclosed, hastily gave a signal with her hand to Râjavâhana and his companion Pushpodbhava, her husband, who both hid themselves among the trees. The queen saw, for a short time, the various graceful sports of her daughter with her companions, and then became intent on going home with her daughter. Avantisundarî, starting to go with her mother, addressed the prince, apparently meaning a swan, saying—"O you, the ornament of the family of Râjahamsa (*also*, swans) here I leave you, all of a sudden, come to the pleasure-garden with the desire to sport (with me), and

go with my mother, as is but proper for me to do. May the desire of your mind be not otherwise (*i.e.* be fulfilled) by this my act (*also*, may your love undergo no change)!" Uttering these words suited to the occasion, and again and again casting back a sad look and gazing upon his face, she returned home. There, in the course of conversation with regard to her lover, she, coming to know his family and name from Bálachandriká, was overpowered with intense love (*lit.* with the fall of Cupid's arrows), and began to grow emaciated day by day, like the crescent of the moon in the dark half of the month, from the pangs of separation. She gave up taking food and her other daily pursuits, and in her secret chamber restlessly rolled her creeper-like (*i.e.* slender) frame on a bed formed of (tender) leaves and flowers wetted with sandal-juice. Her female friends, seeing the delicate princess in that state withering with the fire of love, and feeling very sad, tried to cool her body, with materials for relief from the torment, such as water prepared for her bath, mixed with sandal, *us'îra* and camphor and kept in gold vessels, garments made of lotus-fibres, and fans of lotus-leaves. Even that application of cooling remedies caused simply (flames of) fire to appear on all sides (*i.e.* spread through) in her body like water dropped in heated oil. Looking at Bálachandriká, who was sad at heart, and did not know what to do with a glance from the corner of her eye bedimmed with drops of tears and a little opened, the beautiful princess, whose lower lip was parched by sighs that were hot with the fire of separation, spoke to her plaintively and slowly in a choked voice—"Dear friend, it is indeed falsely said that Káma is flower-weaponed and has only five arrows; for here I am struck by him with numberless arrows with points of steel. Friend, I think the moon is more distressing than the submarine fire, since the ocean is drained as soon as it enters it, while the selfsame ocean is augmented when it leaves it. How can I describe the evil actions of this moon (the mine of faults)?—for it is he who destroys the day-lotus, the very home of his sister Lakshmi. The Malaya breeze, being heated by coming in touch with my heart burning with the fire of separation, is surely rarefied; this bed, formed with tender shoots, adds to the heat of the body as if it were the concentrated flames of the fire of love: even the sandal (-paste) heats the body, as

if it were infected with the virulent poison smeared to the parent trunk by the fangs of serpents ~~formerly~~ entwining it. So, enough, enough of troubling yourself with the application of cooling remedies : only the prince, who surpasses even Cupid in beauty, can successfully cure this heat of the fever of love. But he is beyond my reach ; what am I to do ? 's Bálachandriká, seeing that she (the princess) of delicate limbs was affected by the highest stage of the feverish condition of love, had her mind subdued by the beauty of Rájaváhana, and had no other protector, thought to herself—" I must quickly bring the prince (here), or else Cupid will surely reduce her to the state of being only remembered (i.e. she will die). Cupid discharged his arrows equally at both these in the garden when both the prince and the princess were looking at each other ; hence it will be easy for me to bring the prince here." Then, leaving some female friends, who were skilled in the timely use of remedies, to guard the princess, she went to the house of the prince. Rájaváhana, whose mind had become the quiver of the arrows of Cupid, and who lay on a bed of leaves withered on account of their contact with his body heated by love-torment, saw, as he was talking with Pushyodbhava with regard to his beloved, her dear friend come near him ; and being pleased at heart to find that Bálachandriká had arrived like a potent herb to be sought, he asked her, whose folded hands, graceful like the bud of a lotus, decked her spacious forehead, and who had sat on a proper seat pointed out to her with the words—" Sit there," the news about his beloved, as she respectfully offered the camphor-mixed Támbúla to him, given by Avantisundarî. She with modesty replied—" Lord, ever since the time she saw you in the pleasure-garden, she is being tortured by Cupid ; and finding no relief from beds of flowers and such other things, she, like a dwarf trying to get at the fruit of a tall tree, is desirous of obtaining, on account of being blinded by love, the inaccessible pleasure of a close embrace of your bosom ; and having herself written this epistle she has asked me to hand it over to you with the words—" Give this to my lover." The prince took the letter and read as follows :—

" O blessed prince, having seen your form, delicate like a flower and perfect (*lit.* flawless) in beauty in the whole world, my mind desires that you should make your heart as tender

(as your form is graceful) [or, my heart entertains love (for you); so please make your heart etc.] ”

Having read it he said to her respectfully—“Friend, you, the wife of Pushpodbhava who follows me like my shadow, are yourself like the external life of that fawn-eyed lady. Your shrewdness has served as a basin to the creeper of this whole affair; so I will do everything. The beautiful princess refers in her letter (indirectly) to the hardness of my heart. The very moment when that fawn-eyed damsel came within the range of my sight in the pleasure-grove, she robbed me of my heart and (with it) went to her place; so she herself best knows whether it is tender or hard. It is very difficult to get access to the chamber of the princess. I shall devise some remedy favourable to our object, and shall approach that beautiful damsel to-morrow or the day after. Tell her everything about me as you have seen it, and make use of remedies in such a way that she, who is as tender as a Śirisha flower, will not suffer any bodily torment.” Bālachandrikā on her part was satisfied on hearing his words that implied love, and returned to the princess’ chamber. Rājavāhana also went with Pushpodbhava, to dispel the pangs of separation, to the pleasure-park where he had (first) obtained the pleasure of the sight of his heart’s beloved. There, unable to rest (*lit.* stop) in any place, being affected by love, he reviewed the many trees, the clusters of leaves and flowers of which had been collected by the *chakora*-eyed princess, the place where the damsel with a face like the autumnal moon had worshipped the image of the God of love, the cool sandy surface, marked by the rows of the foot-prints of the lovely lady, and the leafy bed under the bower of the Mādhavī creeper that she, having pearly teeth, had left after resting on it for a time. And he wandered about, remembering again and again the several events that occurred at the time he saw that ornament of the womankind; seeing again and again the fresh leaves of the mango-trees shaken by the gentle breezes, tremblingly, as if they were the flames of the fire of love, and repeatedly hearing the notes of cuckoos, parrots and the bees, which were as it were the spies of Love whispering in his ears.

Just then a Brāhmaṇa, clad in thin and variegated raiment, decked with bright ear-rings, and attractive with his sumptuous apparel, came there unexpectedly, accompanied by persons with their heads clean-shaved, and with a blessing

duly pronounced, saw Rájaváhana glowing with a halo of light all round. The Prince respectfully asked him who he was and what art he was versed in. He replied that he was an expert in the art of magic, named Vidyeśvara, and that he came that day to Ujjain in the course of his visits to many countries for the amusement of the princes. Again he looked at Rájaváhana closely, and with a significant smile asked him what was the reason of his pallor in that land of pleasure. Pushpodbhava, on his part, thinking that he would be of use to them in the accomplishment of their object, respectfully addressed him—“Since the friendship of the good arises out of a conversation, you have become our dear friend in such a short time owing to your sweet talk with us just now ; and what is there that can be withheld from a friend ? There arose an intense mutual love, at an unexpected meeting in this pleasure-grove, between the daughter of the king of Málwá, when she came here for the celebration of the great Spring-festival, and this prince. It is on account of the absence of some means of attaining constant enjoyment that he is in this miserable plight.” Vidyeśvara looked at the face of the prince, charmingly blushing, and said with a gentle smile—“What object of yours, my lord, can be beyond accomplishment, when I, your servant, am ready to serve you ? By means of my art of magic I shall beguile the king of Málwá, and, bringing about the marriage of his daughter with you in the presence of the citizens, cause your entrance into the apartment of the princess : but let the princess be informed of this beforehand through her friend.” The prince, highly pleased at this, greatly honoured and then took leave of that Vidyeśvara, his disinterested friend who had declared his skill in magic (or, in bringing about results by artificial means) and who knew deception, counterfeit love and natural affection.

Rájaváhana now looked upon his desires as almost fulfilled on account of Vidyeśvara's skill in magic, and, returning home with Pushpodbhava, took care to inform the princess, through Bálachandriká, of the means of union that were going to be used by the Bráhmaṇa, and with his mind full of curiosity remained thinking as to how to pass the night. Next morning Vidyeśvara, well-versed in the mode and progress of the sentiments and feelings, went to the gate of the palace, accompanied by his numerous attendants, and declared his profession to the door-keeper, who thereupon hastened to announce the approach

of the magician to the king. Called in by the king of Málwá, full of curiosity, in company with the equally curious ladies of the harem, Vidyeśvara entered the inner court, humbly uttered benedictions upon the king, and, permitted by the king, began his performance. Then, as the roll of drums beaten by the servants swelled and the songs of singing girls, sweet like the tune of intoxicated cuckoos, flowed in sweet succession, and the minds of all present there were overpowered with great curiosity, he stood for a moment with his eyes half-closed, making his attendants move round him, as he whirled his magic bundle of peacock's feathers. After this, serpents, decked with hoods copiously emitting virulent poison and illumining the expanse of the palace with the array of the gems in their hoods, moved about, causing fright; and many vultures taking up those big snakes in their beaks whisked about in the sky. Then the Bráhmaṇa, after having exhibited the tearing of Hiranyakaśipu, the monarch of the demons, by Nṛsiṃha, said to the greatly astonished king—"O king, now at the close of my performance it is but proper that you should see something auspicious; hence, to insure the attainment of a number of blessings, I shall perform the marriage of a prince endowed with all the auspicious signs, with a princess, having a form exactly like that of your daughter." The king, out of curiosity to see it, assented; and Vidyeśvara, with his face brightened at the prospect of his desired object being accomplished, put in his eyes a collyrium which had the virtue of stupefying all, and looked around. Then, as all were looking at the spectacle in astonishment as a feat of magic, he united, in the presence of the sacred fire, on account of his proficiency in the religious rites and other performances attendant on a marriage, Avantisundarī, who had come there decorated with numerous ornaments as previously arranged, with Rājavāhana, with his heart swelling with love. At the close of the performance, the magician loudly ordered all the magical persons to disappear, when all persons conjured up by magic disappeared one by one. Rājavāhana also, skilfully carrying out the secret plan as previously arranged, entered the chamber of the princess like a man conjured up by magic. The king of Málwá also thought it a miracle, rewarded that Bráhmaṇa with a large sum of money, and having asked Vidyeśvara to depart, himself went into the inner apartment. Then Avantisundarī, attended by her dear companions, went to her beautiful mansion with her husband. Then Rājavāhana,

who had his desires thus fulfilled with the help of fate and man, gently removed the feeling of bashfulness of that fawn-eyed damsel with his sweet and loving acts of endearment, infused in her a desire for amorous sport, engendered confidence in her on account of the privacy, and, eager to drink the nectar of her conversation, related to her the diversified and heart-ravishing tales (from the Mahābhārata &c.) of the fourteen worlds.

END OF THE PU'RVARTHIKA'.

DAŚAKUMĀRACHARITA.

UCHCHHIVĀSA I.

Having heard the description of the universe from the prince, that beautiful princess, with her eyes dilated through wonder, said with a smile—"Dearest, to-day my ears have been blessed (*lit.* the function of my ears has had its mission fulfilled) through your favour; to-day you have set in my mind the lamp of knowledge that dispels all darkness of ignorance; to-day is ripened the fruit of the service of your lotus-like feet. What service shall I do unto you so as to make a return for this your favour? There is nothing mine that is not yours. Or why, this person too does possess power in some matter; impossible it is to cause this lower lip of yours, that has already been used by Sarasvatī, when she seized your mouth, to be kissed by me without my desire;—or to cause this bosom of yours, that has been enjoyed by the plump breasts of Lakshmī, to be embraced by me without my permission." With these words, resting her rounded breasts on the bosom of her dear husband like the monsoon spreading in the sky the train of big clouds, expanding her eye sparkling with deep love, like a full-developed Kandali-*bird* of deep red, and graceful (*lit.* marked) with her ample tresses that imitated the plumage of a peacock, being variegated with flowers that looked like eyes in a peacock's tail and hanging about disorderly like a row of bees, she impatiently kissed his ruby-like lower lip magnified by the stream of its spreading reddish lustre and hence resembling the bud of a Kadamba flower rugged with its filaments like the throbbing rays of the morning sun. At this the feeling of passion being excited, there proceeded an uninterrupted course of enjoyments highly pleasing on account of the various modes of enjoyment. As they were in sound sleep brought on by the fatigue of enjoyment, they saw

in a dream an old swan with its legs bound with a string of lotus-fibres, and both awoke at the vision. On waking, the prince found his feet bound by a silver-chain, as if they were embraced by a series of the rays of the moon mistaking them (his feet) for lotuses. Perceiving it, and not knowing what to make of it, the princess, beside herself with great fright, screamed aloud. Thereupon the whole of the apartment of the princess was thrown into commotion, all the inmates trembling, as if it were set on fire, as though some evil spirit had taken possession of it, not knowing how to act then or after, quite regardless of the necessity to keep the secret intact, dashing their limbs against the floor, screaming at the top of their voice, and having their cheeks covered with the stream of tears. At this time of confusion, the guards of the female apartments, their entrance not being barred, rushed in all at once to see what the matter was, and they discovered the prince in that state; their desire to arrest him, however, being curbed by his majestic appearance, they at once communicated the incident to Chandra-varma. He came, foaming with fury, as if burning him with his eyes that contained fire; and, looking at the prince, he recognized him and said—"How now! This, indeed, is the same mischievous fellow, bearing the designation of a Brâhmana, the friend of Pushpodbhava—that foreign merchant, inflated with the pride of his riches and the husband of that wicked Bâlachandrikâ who was the cause of my younger brother's death—who, intoxicated with the pride of beauty and vain of his knowledge of the arts, has, by means of skill in the various arts of deception, imposed upon the silly citizens, who falsely attribute impossible divine (superhuman) powers to him, and who, wearing the cloak of religious hypocrisy, practises evil secretly. How possibly was this wicked Avantisundarî, treating valorous persons like us with disdain, attached to him? Let the wicked girl, the defiler of her family, to-day see her lord exalted to the dignity of the gibbet!" Thus he reviled Avantisundarî, and with his forehead fierce on account of the terrible knitting of the eye-brows and looking like Kâla, he dragged the prince with his hand rigid like an iron rod, seizing him by his lotus-like hand marked with the linear marks of a lotus and a wheel. Râjavâhana, bold by nature, and possessing prowess of every kind to the highest degree, knew for certain that it was a calamity brought on by destiny, and that it could only be met with by means of

submission ; so he gave himself up to the enemy, comforting his dearly-loved wife, who was thinking of putting an end to her life, with the words—" Call to your mind, O you with a swan's gait, that incident about the swan ! Bear yourself up for two months, O fair one ! "

When the King and Queen of Málwá heard the story, they were distressed, and, being attracted by his handsome form, saved their son-in-law who was about to be put to death by his foe, threatening else to put an end to their own lives ; but they could not, owing to their powerlessness (*lit.* they not being the sovereigns), deliver him from his calamity. That Chāṇḍavarmā, known for his fierce disposition, sent a courier to inform Darpaśāra, who was practising religious austerities on the Kailāsa mountain, of the whole of this affair, and at once seized Puṣhpodbhava with all his family, threw him into prison and confiscated all his effects. He then secured Rājavāhana, like the cub of a lordly lion, in a wooden cage, and being distrustful of all, took him, who felt no pain due to hunger, thirst and the like by virtue of the magical jewel concealed in his hair, with him as he proceeded on an expedition against the Aṅga country in order to uproot the king of the Aṅgas who had contemptuously treated his request for the hand of his daughter. He besieged Champá, making it shake under the weight of his army. The king of Champá, Simhavarmā, whose prowess was as irresistible as that of a lion, having caused a passage to be made in the rampart, issued forth with a mighty force, appearing like pride incarnate, impatient of aggression and not caring to wait for the arrival, which was quite imminent, of the princes, who were called by the multitude of messengers sent by himself and who were coming very fast to help him, and opposed the rival army. In the great battle that ensued, however, Simhavarmā, with all his forces destroyed and having his own armour battered by hundreds of blows from mighty weapons, was captured by Chāṇḍavarmā who had superhuman vital strength, by jumping upon his elephant from his own elephant. Chāṇḍavarmā, through the great love he bore to his daughter Ambālikā, also named Abalā-Ratna (*lit.* 'a jewel among women') did not, however, put him to death. But he whose intentions were not to be divined, kept him in custody, after having taken out all the arrow-darts from his body. He resolved, in conformity with the calculations of the astrologers, to espouse the princess the next morning.

Just as the ceremony of fastening the auspicious marriage-string was performed, the courier named Aipajañgha arrived from the Kailāsa mountain with the reply of Darpasāra who was the king in authority, which ran thus—"Fool! Is there room for showing pity to the defiler of the princess' apartment? Does it behove even you to abide by whatever nonsense the old king utters, whose mind is deprived of all sense of honour and dishonour owing to his age, and who is only partial to his ill-behaved daughter? You should create joy for (*i.e.* gladden) my ears by at once sending me the news about the love-crazed miscreant being put to death with tortures; the wicked girl also with her younger brother Kīrtisāra should be thrown into prison with her feet in irons." On hearing this message Chaṇḍavarmā ordered his attendants, fixing on them a look of command, thus—"Let the villain, the violator of the chastity of the princess' apartment, be brought before the palace-gates tomorrow morning, and let also the lordly elephant, named Chaṇḍapota, decked with the usual decorations, be brought there. After completing the marriage-rites, I shall get up and myself make that the fellow of depraved character a plaything of the elephant (*i.e.* so as to be smashed to pieces), and then riding the same elephant I will march forth and capture the multitude of kings that are approaching to help the foe, together with their treasures and conveyances." The next day, as the dawn was just breaking, Rājavāhana was led forth by the guards to the palace-yard, and the elephant Chaṇḍapota, with ichor flowing from his temples, was also brought there. At that very instant the silver chain fell off from the prince's ankles, and, assuming the form of an Apsaras, beautiful like the digit of the moon, went round him keeping him to the right, and with folded hands addressed him—"Prince, please listen to me with a mind softened with kindness. I am an Apsaras, named Suratamañjarī, born of the rays of the moon; in the sky a foolish swan mistook my face for a lotus and pursued it, when in the confusion of keeping it off, my necklace snapped, and dropping off happened to fall on the head of the great sage Mārkaṇḍeya who had just emerged after having bathed in a lake of the Himālayas, called Mandodaka, and made it doubly hoary by means of the rays of its jewels. Incensed by the affront, he denounced upon me an unjust curse (thus):—"O wicked girl, assume thou a metallic form, wherein your consciousness will be suspended." Then, being propitiated by me, he arranged that the calamity would end after I had served

as fetters for your lotus-like feet for two months only, and further that my senses would not lose their powers (all the while). I, who was transformed into a silver-chain as a penalty for my great sin, was found in that state on the Kailása mountain by a demi-god, named *Vīraśekhara*, the son of *Mānasavega*, and the grandson of *Vegavat*, a prince of the family of *Ikshvāku*; and I remained in his possession. Now when the hostilities commenced by his father (*Mānasavega*) were still proceeding, *Vīraśekhara*, hostilely disposed towards *Naravāhanadatta*, the extender of *Vatsa*'s race and the reigning emperor of the *Vidyādhara*s, entered into an alliance with *Darpasāra*, who was practising penance, and whom he thought capable of punishing his foe. *Darpasara* agreed to give him his sister *Avantisundarī* in marriage. Once, as the moon shone brightly in the sky, *Vīraśekhara*, desirous of seeing the beloved of his heart, *Avantisundarī*, and unable to curb his passion, descended into the princess' chamber, beautiful like the palace of *Indra*. Himself invisible by virtue of the charm of concealment, he beheld the princess, who, with her limbs drooping, through the fatigue of sexual sports, lay reclined on your lap, and in whom the tide of passion was caused to swell by means of tales, sweet like nectar, of the creation, maintenance and destruction of the three worlds. Though enraged at the sight, he was frustrated in his mental resolve to seize you by your prowess; but finding both of you sleeping soundly in each other's arms, he, urged by favourable fate, passed me in the form of a silver chain round your lotus-like feet and hastily departed in great anger. To-day my curse expires; and your imprisonment also extended over the same two months; be pleased to tell me what I can do for you." The prince, saying—"Go and cheer up my heart's beloved with the news of my liberation," dismissed the nymph as she was bowing before him.

Just at that time a sudden cry arose that *Chandavarmā* was killed with the stroke of a scimitar by a single thief of extraordinary prowess, being violently pulled down by being forcibly seized by the arm stretched forth through ardent desire to seize the hand of *Ambālikā*, the daughter of *Simhavarmā*, and that covering the precincts of the palace with hundreds of dead bodies he (the thief) was moving about freely, unimpeded in his course. On hearing this, *Rājavāhana*, having knocked off the driver, leaped upon the same furious elephant and drove it to the palace with utmost speed. The way was cleared for him by

the foot-soldiers who fell off as the elephant advanced with speed, and he entered the palace-yard, and in a tone deep like the thunder of a train of clouds said—"Where is that hero who performed this great feat impossible for a human being to achieve? Let him come and sit here beside me on this infuriated elephant, so that by my side he can be safe (*lit.* will have no fear) even when fighting with the gods and demons." On hearing this, the valiant youth was greatly delighted, and came with folded hands and dexterously mounted the elephant that contracted its body at a signal. Rājavāhana saw him closely just as he was mounting (the elephant), and exclaimed with his eyes dilated through joy—"Oh, this is none but my dear friend Apahāravarmā!" And, catching the foreparts of both his arms that were thrust into his arm-pits as he was sitting behind, caused himself to be embraced by him, and himself also embraced him by throwing his arms backwards. Having disengaged himself from the embrace the very instant, Apahāravarmā hurled to the ground the opposing warriors who, puffed up with the pride of their strength, were fighting in various ways closing round him, making use of various weapons such as bows, the disc, iron clubs, harpoons, darts, double-edged swords, javelins and maces. In a moment he saw even that hostile army besieged by another army rapidly advancing in the front from an opposite direction.

Just after that, a man, of a complexion yellowish-white like the Karpikāra flower, with his curly hair blue like the sapphire, his hands and feet tender like the lotus, with his blue-glossy, milk-white and attractive eyes stretching as far as the ears, having a poniard, with its hilt set with jewels, deposited in his waist-band, wearing a silk-garment, of a slender waist but a broad chest, pouring a shower of arrows upon the hostile army as he was well-practised in the use of weapons, urging his swift elephant by rubbing hard the roots of its ears with the toes of his feet, advanced, and recognizing Rājavāhana from his knowledge of the description formerly given, bowed down to him with folded hands, and fixing his eyes on Apahāravarmā said—"Here has arrived the force of the allies for rendering assistance to the king of the Aṅgas and led by me hither by the way pointed out by you. The army of the enemy is now thoroughly routed and broken, and is reduced to such a helpless condition that its weapons can be easily snatched away even by

women and children; what further am I to do for you?" Apāharavarmā was highly pleased and said—"Lord, favour this servant with a gracious look; Your Highness should consider him as my own self, only concealed under this form and under the designation of Dhanamitra. If Your Highness does not find fault with it, let him (go and) liberate the king of the Aṅgas, and get together (the spoil *i.e.*) the treasures and the conveyances. and then attend upon Your Highness sitting at ease in a quiet place, accompanied by these princes who are siding with us." The prince assented, and riding out of the town with him by the way he pointed out, alighted from the elephant on the ground under a large Rohiṇa tree, cool with the breezes from the waves of the Ganges that blew there, and having a bed of sand white like a silk-garment. Rājavāhana sat at ease, as on an elephant, on the sandy Gangetic plain, the surface whereof was quickly smoothed with his own hands by Apahāravarmā, having alighted first. While he was thus seated, Dhanamitra came with Upahāravarmā, Arthapāla, Pramati, Mitrugupta, Mantragupta and Viśruta, and with Prahārvarmā the king of Mithilā, Kāmapāla the king of Kāśī, and Simhavarmā the king of Champā, and bowed before Rājavāhana. The prince also, transported with joy, rose (to receive them), wondering at the singular turn of good fortune in that all his friends had come together at the same time, and after receiving them with proper civilities closely embraced them. He looked upon (*i.e.*, treated) the Kings of Kāśī, Mithilā and Aṅga, who were introduced to him by his friend, with the respect due to his father. They, with their white hair bristling through joy, embraced him in great haste and he also felt greatly delighted

Then, as affectionate talks went on between them, he, being requested by his friends, narrated to them his own adventures and those of Somadatta and Pushpodbhava; and thus, having made a beginning, he asked his friends, with a desire to hear their narratives, to recount to him the incidents that severally befell them. Of these Apahāravarmā began (his own narrative) first:—

UCHCHHVĀSA II.

"Lord, when the group of friends dispersed in search of Your Highness, who had then entered the nether regions for assisting that Brāhmaṇa in his object, I, too, wandered over the earth.

Having heard somewhere from a conclave of people talking among themselves that there resided on the bank of the Ganges, outside the city of Champâ, a great sage, named Marîchi, who was possessed of divine sight got by the power of his austerities, I, desirous of knowing your whereabouts from him, directed my steps to that region. And in that hermitage I beheld, under the shade of a young mango-tree, an ascetic who was looking like one dejected. Received as a guest by him I took rest for a short time, and asked him, saying—"Where is the great seer, Marîchi? I wish to know from him the fate of a dear friend gone away for some reason; for, the sage is known over the earth as possessed of a wonderful power of knowledge." He, thereupon, heaved a long sigh and said—"In this hermitage there was such a sage formerly. A courtesan named Kāmamanjari, who was the ornament of the Aṅga-capital, once approached him full of dejection and with breasts bespangled with large tear-drops, and bowed to him, sweeping the ground with her long dishevelled tresses. Just then the multitude of her relatives, led by her mother, who ran after her with piteous cries arrived there close upon her heels. The merciful sage, as the story goes, comforted them with sweet words and asked the harlot the cause of her distress. She, appearing to be full now of hashfulness, now of sorrow and now of respect, replied—"Revered Sir, this person, not destined to enjoy the pleasures of this world, has approached, for protection, the root of your feet, renowned for their being the asylum of the afflicted, for obtaining the felicity of the other world." But her mother, having raised her folded hands and after rising up from the ground having touched it (in the act of bowing) with the knot of her hair interspered with the grey of age, said—"Revered sage, here your slave begs to submit her offence with respect to her; my fault lies simply in making her perform the duties of her proper profession (*or*, duties as required by my office). This is the special office (duty) of the mother of a courtesan—*viz.* to cultivate the beauty of the person of her daughter from the very birth; to nurture the body of her daughter by means of congenial (*lit.* measured) diet, that will help the development of lustre, strength, complexion and intelligence and will keep the humours, the gastric fire and the vital fluids in harmony; from her fifth year (of age) not to expose her very much to the view even of her father; on her birth-day and on other auspicious days, to perform the auspicious rites marked with great festivities; to train her in the erotic science

In all its branches, to carefully initiate her in the arts of dancing, singing, playing on musical instruments, acting, painting, as well as in the confectionary (culinary art), in the art of preparing perfumes, wreathing flowers and also in reading writing and expressing herself with elegance and wit; to teach her the simple outlines of grammar, logic and astrology. She (the mother) has to make her adept in the art of gaining a livelihood, in sportive graces, and in games of chance and strife; (the daughter) also receives practical instruction with great pains, at the hands of confidential persons, in the secrets of the sexual science; she has to appear, carefully decorated and attended with a large retinue, at public festivals; she has to attain perfection in the art of singing as would suit particular occasions, at the hands of experts previously engaged; she has to be advertised through experts in various arts in different places; she must be proclaimed through palmists and astrologers as being endowed with all the auspicious marks; with the help of parasites, gay companions, jesters and the Buddhistic nuns (female mendicants), she has to get her beauty, behaviour, accomplishments, charms and amiableness discussed in the circles of the townspeople. When she becomes the constant object of the desires of young men, then to set a very high price on her hand (*or*, to bestow her on a youth at a very great price); or to give her away to one who is independent (*i.e.* master of his own affairs) and of his own accord is either very powerfully affected by (*lit.* is blinded by) love for her or whose passion is furiously excited at the sight of her coquettish actions, and who is endowed with high birth, beauty, youth, power to give riches, honesty, munificence, skill, politeness, (knowledge of) the arts, good disposition and affability; or to deliver her over to one who is not independent but possesses superior qualities and is extremely intelligent, even for a small sum, giving out in public that much was received; and (sometimes) to extort money from the elders of such by bringing about a connexion with him by the Gândharva marriage,* and if no money comes in, to gain the object in the local court by winning over by friendship the king (*or*, the chief authority). When one is attached to her, to make the daughter observe the vow of chastity towards him. (It is also her duty) to appropriate by various artifices what remains of the wealth of

* Or, according to some, 'under the pretence that a Gândharva marriage was contracted.'

lovers after it has been expended by daily, occasional and love gifts; to reject one who, though almost seduced, does not give anything, by picking a quarrel with him; to stimulate the liberality of one, who, being attracted, is deep in love, by inciting him through a deputy (*or*, neighbour;—*or*, the lover of a neighbouring courtesan, *Com.*); to get rid of one who is without money by means of sarcastic remarks, by reviling him in public, by keeping her daughter off from him, and thus inspiring him with shame or by accepting another lover for her, and by insults; and often to unite her with rich persons, capable of giving much money, who are able to remove all difficulties, and who are unobjectionable, after duly considering all doubts about the advantages and disadvantages (from the connexion). A mere attendance upon a lover, and not real attachment to him, is the duty of a courtesan; and even when she really loves him, she must not disobey her mother or grandmother. Such being the settled practice, this damsel, having transgressed the duties prescribed by the god Brahmâ, passed exactly a month indulging her passion at her own expense in company of a Brâhmaṇa youth, who is altogether a stranger and whose only wealth is his handsome form. A large number of admirers, capable of giving much wealth, she offended by rejecting them, and thus ruined her family; and when I dissuaded her, saying—‘This is foolish and not a wise thought,’ she, in a rage, set out to take up her abode in the woods. Now if she, who has thus acted, proves unshaken in her resolve, all these persons, who have no other means of subsistence, will starve themselves to death, just here.” With these words she burst into tears.

Upon this the sage, full of mercy, addressed the damsel—“Good girl, this forest-life is surely a life of suffering. Its object is either final beatitude or the attainment of paradise; the first of these, being attainable by the perfection of spiritual knowledge, is generally difficult to accomplish; the second is within the reach of every one who discharges the duties of his family. It were well, therefore, that you should desist from an impossible attempt and abide by the advice of your mother.” Thus addressed she, saying—“If the root of the feet of Your Reverence be not my refuge, helpless that I am, let the God of fire be!” became agitated (uneasy) at heart. The sage then thought to himself, and said to her mother—“Go home for the present; wait for a few days till she, of a tender body and accustomed to the enjoyment of pleasures, grows weary of the hardships of a forest.

life, and being constantly awakened to her duties by me, comes to her senses." When the relatives of the young courtesan returned home, saying 'Very well,' the damsel, full of deep devotion, wearing a couple of freshly-washed garments and not much attentive to personal decoration, won the sage's heart in a few days by such actions as filling the basins of the young plants with water, taking pains to pluck and collect the flowers for the worship of the deities, preparing offerings of various sorts, keeping ready the sandal-paste, flowers, frankincense, lamp-light, dancing, singing and playing on musical instruments, for (the propitiation of) S'iva, and by engaging herself in a secluded place in conversations with him touching the three objects of worldly existence and suitable discussions concerning the nature of the Self

Once, when in private, finding that he was affected by passion, she observed with some astonishment—"Foolish, indeed, are the worldly people that place Artha (wealth) and Kāma (pleasure) on an equal footing with Dharma (virtue, religion). Urged by the Marichi, saying—"Tell me, child, in what degree you would have Dharma transcend Artha and Kāma," she began slowly to speak through modesty—"Your Reverence should, indeed, seek to learn of the superiority or inferiority of the three objects of worldly existence from a person like myself ! Or, even this may be a new way of showing favour to your slave ! Very well ; may Your Reverence attend :—To be sure, Artha and Kāma cannot come into being without Dharma ; but even without regard to them, Dharma alone is the creative cause of final beatitude, and is attainable only by the concentration of the mind. It does not (like Artha and Kāma) much depend on external means. Supported (*i.e.* held up) by the knowledge of the reality, it is not affected by Artha and Kāma, howsoever pursued ; and, even if affected, it is set right by a little exertion ; and, eradicating that defect also, it conduces to the highest (*lit.* not a little) bliss. Hence the passion of the Grandsire (Brahmā) for Tīlottamā ; the pollution of thousands of the wives of the ascetics by Śiva ; Kṛishṇa's amorous sporting with sixteen thousand wives in his harem ; Brahmā's passionate inclination towards his own daughter ; the seduction of Ahalyā by Indra ; the Moon's unnatural connexion with a mare ; the union of Vāyu with Añjanā ; Bṛihaspati's illicit intercourse with the wife of (his elder brother) Utathya ; Parāśara's despoiling of the daughter .

of a fisherman ; his son's (Vyāsa's) connexion with the wives of his brother (Vichitravīrya) ; and Atri's union with a doe. Also, the various artifices employed by gods towards the demons (*or*, deeds worthy of the demons alone) to gain their various objects do not affect Dharma, by the power of knowledge. And, when the mind is purified by piety, passion (Rajas) does not at all defile (*lit.* stick to) it, as dust does not the sky. I therefore hold that Artha and Kāma do not come up even to a hundredth part of Dharma."

On hearing this the sage with his passion enkindled (*or*, augmented) said—"Graceful damsel, you have taken a proper view (of matters), in that you say that the Dharma of him who has known the Truth is not obstructed (*or*, interfered with) by worldly enjoyment. But we, from our birth, are quite ignorant of matters relating to Artha and Kāma. It is necessary to know what their natures are, their attendant circumstances and their results." She replied—"Artha is of the form of (*i.e.* consists in) its acquisition, increase and conservation; its concomitants are agriculture, rearing up of cattle, trade, peace, war and the like; and its fruit (*i.e.* final object) is its bestowal on deserving persons. Kāma is a peculiar kind of touch (contact) yielding the highest pleasure to persons whose hearts are deeply attached to sensual objects; its concomitants are all that are lovely and bright in this world; its fruit is the highest gratification, which gives the highest delight, which springs up from mutual, close contact, which is sweet to remember, in which all self-conceit disappears, which is supreme, which is bliss directly enjoyed, and which is to be felt by one's own self only. It is for the sake of this pleasure only that men practise in particular (holy) places severe penance, give liberal gifts, fight terrible battles, and undertake dangerous enterprises, such as voyages.

Hearing this, the Rishi—it may be owing to the power of destiny, or to her eloquence, or to infirmity of his own mind—became attached to her, disregarding his devotions. She took him, who was too far gone in forgetting himself (*i.e.* his proper duty), in a car to the town, and led him to her own house by the magnificent high road. And (as they passed), the festival of Kāma was proclaimed as taking place on the morrow. Next day, when the ascetic had bathed and applied perfumes to his body, and put on beautiful garlands, she led him, who had begun to act like a votary of the God of love, and who had no longer any desire to keep up his former character, and who felt uneasy if he

was without her even for an instant, by the splendid royal road to where people were celebrating the festival, and approached the King who was sitting, surrounded by hundreds of damsels, in one part of the garden. The King, with a smiling face, said—"Fair damsel, sit down with the sage." Thereupon she made a graceful bow and smilingly sat down; which done, a certain beauteous woman with folded hands rose up, saying—"Sire, I am vanquished by her and own myself the damsel's slave," and bowed to the king. A general uproar due to wonder and joy rose up from the people. The damsel, dismissed by the delighted King after being rewarded with jewelled ornaments of great value and a large retinue, and also applauded by the different groups of courtesans and the principal citizens, said to the sage even without going home—"Revered Sir, here I fold my hands to you; this your servant has been long favoured; now return to your pious duties." But he, as if struck by the thunderbolt and greatly agitated by his passion, said to her—"Dear damsel, what does this mean? Whence is this indifference? Where has gone that uncommon affection you showed for me?" Thereupon she smiled and said—"Sir, the damsel, who in the assembly acknowledged herself defeated, formerly in some conflict with me rebuked me, saying—'You are boasting as if you have won over Maríchi;' so I proceeded in this affair, it being agreed (between us) that the vanquished one should become the slave of the other, and by your favour I have won the wager." The silly ascetic, thus repulsed by her, greatly repented, and like one vacant-minded, returned to his dwelling.—And know me, O noble youth, to be the same who was so gulled by that girl. And that same whore, having uprooted the passion instilled in me by her power of fascination, has now infused (i. e. created) in me a great disgust for worldly pleasures. Before long I shall render my soul capable of achieving your object. In the meanwhile do you abide in this very Champá, the capital of Aṅga."

At this time the sun set, as if in fear of the touch of the darkness (of ignorance) that fell off from the sage's mind; the *Rāga* (passion, redness), cast off by him, glimmered in the shape of the twilight; and the beds of lotuses faded away, as if they had colourlessness imparted to them (—as if filled with disgust) by his narration. In conformity with the sage's directions I performed the evening devotions with him, sleeping after him, and passed the night talking on various topics suited to the occasion. At

day-break, while the red-rayed (morning) sun, that looked almost like a wild conflagration on the peak of the rising mountain, and that despised (*i. e.* far surpassed the lustre of) the tender sprouts of the desire-fulfilling trees, was peeping up, I bowed to him and proceeded to the city. On my way, outside a convent of Jain mendicants, I saw, seated in a lonely clump of red Aśoka trees, a certain Jain mendicant, of a miserable look, who had not yet taken to asceticism (*or*, who had not begun to practise Samādhi—abstract meditation), who was reduced by mental anxiety, and who was the foremost among the ugly. I also noticed drops of tears falling on his chest from his face, the accumulation of dust whereon was loosened. I sat down by him, and asked him—"Penance and this shedding of tears, how to reconcile the two! If not a secret, please let me know the cause of your sorrow." He answered—"Gentle youth, listen. I am Vasupālita by name, the eldest son of a merchant named Nidhipālita, an inhabitant of this very Champā. On account of my ugliness I came to be distinguished by the name Virūpaka. There was here another (youth) called Sundaraka, a name quite significant in his case, who, rich in virtues and (skilled) in arts, was not much favoured (*lit.* fattened) by wealth. An ill-feeling was created between him and me, based on our form and wealth, by the designing town-sharpers who live by creating discord. Once, at a festival, they themselves put down an altercation in reproachful language between us, due to mutual insult and given rise to by themselves, and settled the matter, saying—"Neither form nor wealth is the test of manliness; but he alone is a man whose youth would be sought by the most eminent harlot. Let him, therefore, whom Kāmamañjarī, the ornament of young women, would love, have the banner of grace." We agreed to it and sent messengers to her. I alone (as it appeared) became the inflamer of her passion; for, as we were seated, she, approaching me alone, invested me with a string (*i. e.* succession) of side-glances as if of blue lotuses, and thus made my rival hang down his face through shame. I, who considered myself blessed, made her the mistress of my wealth, my house, my retinue, my body and even of my very life. And she reduced me to utter poverty (*lit.* made me one to whom a rag was left). I, who was deprived of everything and turned out by her, became an object of ridicule to the world; and being unable to bear the contempt (*lit.* the utterings of 'fie') of the aged citizens, I came here to this Jain convent, where the path to

final beatitude being shown to me by a Muni, I, thinking that my present garb should be easy to those who had left the house of a harlot, and being filled with disgust, threw off that strip of cloth also. Then again, with my body covered with a thick layer of dirt, smarting under the great pain caused by the plucking off of the hair, tormented with severe thirst and hunger, and troubled by severe restraints, like a newly-caught elephant, in matters such as dwelling, sitting, sleeping and taking food, I thus thought over my state—"I am a Brāhmaṇa, and in following the path of the heretics I deviate from my proper faith. My ancestors followed the path (principles) laid down by the Vedas and the Smṛitis alone. But I, an unlucky creature, had to follow this unrighteous path of this nature as if it were that of righteousness, where the dress (to be worn) is condemnable, which is the abode of excessive suffering, the fruit whereof is hell even after death owing to one's having constantly to listen to the blasphemy against the gods Viṣṇu, Śiva, Brahmā and others, which is rewarded with no (real) fruit, and which is almost a deception." Thus, with a full realization of my improper course of action, I freely give vent to my tears, having come to this solitary clump of Aśoka trees."

Moved to pity on hearing his account, I said to him—"Friend, be patient and wait for a time here. I shall so manage it that that harlot herself will restore your wealth to you; there are means of that sort." Having thus cheered him up, I rose after he had done so. Just as I entered the city I came to know from the general talk that that city abounded in rogues (or, covetous) and wealthy people; and wishing to restore them to their primitive natures by proving to them the transitoriness of wealth, I resolved to take to the path laid down by Karpīsuta (i.e., to thieving). I then entered the gambling house and joined the company of the gamblers. As I observed their skill in all the twenty-five sorts of arts connected with gambling; their tricks, exceedingly difficult to notice, in cogging a die on the dice-board or shifting a piece, and the consequent abusive words uttered with vanity, and their desperate acts regardless of life; the transactions begun with the knowledge of their president, consisting chiefly in the employment of argument, force and valour, and capable of enforcing payment; their power to wheedle the resolute and bully the timid; their dexterity in making partisans; the various proffering of tempting advantages; the

descriptions of different ways of betting; their generosity in the distribution of the money gained; their clamours at intervals, mostly consisting of indecent talk, and such other things;—I derived no satisfaction; and I happened to laugh at a gamester who made a blunder in moving a piece. His rival, burning as it were with his eyes inflamed with anger, looked at me and said—“Ah! Dare you teach us the way to play, under the pretext of laughter? Let the poor fellow alone; he is but a novice. With you, then, who are such an expert in the art, I will gamble.” With these words he joined with me in play with the consent of the president, and I won from him 16,000 Dīnāras; half of this I gave to the president and the assembly, and with the other half I rose to go. And there rose up expressions of my praise, full of joy, from the people assembled there. Acceding to the request of the president I went to his house and had a sumptuous meal there. He, Vimardaka by name, on whose account I descended into (the field of) gambling, became my most trustworthy second heart (as it were).

By his means I came to know everything about the townsmen as regards their wealth, dealings and their behaviour; and on a night extremely dark like the throat of Śiva, putting on a black veil (or, cloak), with a sharp sword fastened (to my person) and equipped with such implements as a scoop, a whistle, tongs, a sham head, magic powder, a magic wick, a measuring thread, a wrench, a rope, a lamp-case, and a beetle in a box, I went to the house of a celebrated usurer (*lit.* miser). Making a breach in his house after finding out the state of things inside through the small hole (or, a hole of the size) of a lattice-window, I entered it without any fear, as if it were my own house, took his purse, valuable on account of its costly contents, and departed. On (i.e. as I passed along) the main road, covered with dense darkness thick like a mass of dark clouds, I saw for a moment a flash of light like the fall of lightning; and just then there stood before me a young damsel, with glittering ornaments, as though she were the presiding goddess of the city coming to encounter me at a time when the streets were devoid of crowds, angered at the theft committed in the city. “Damsel, who are you and where are you going?”—thus compassionately asked by me, she replied in words faltering through fear—“Respected Sir, an eminent merchant lives in this city, named Kuberadatta. I am his daughter. My father betrothed me as soon as I was born to Dhanamitra, the son of a wealthy man of this very city; but now

he has grown poor, having purchased, as it were, with his wealth, upon the death of his parents, owing to extreme liberality, the condition of a pauper from his supplicants. Now, although he has thus gained from the gratified world the laudable epithet of 'Udāraka' (munificent), and has offered to marry me now grown up, my father refuses to give me in marriage to him as being now destitute, and wishes to marry me to another merchant-leader, named Arthapati, who, true to his name, is a man of great opulence. Knowing that that inauspicious event (*i.e.* my marriage) is sure to come off to-day at dawn, I, agreeably to an appointment already made with my beloved, have started, having eluded my relations, and am going, under the guidance of Cupid, to my lover's abode by this path familiar to me from my childhood. So please let me pass; take this treasure of ornaments." So saying she took them off and made them over to me. But, pitying her, I said—"Come, O virtuous maiden! I will lead you to the dwelling of your lover," and proceeded a few steps, when there came a large force of the city-watch who dispelled the mass of darkness by means of the light of the torches, and who had sticks and swords in hand. I said to the maiden who trembled (with fear) at their very sight—"Fear not, gentle damsel; here is my arm armed with a sword (to protect you). But for your sake I have thought of this clever (*lit.* gentle) plan. I will lie down, affecting to be overcome by the pangs of poison; do you address these people thus:—We entered the city this night; this my husband was bitten by a snake in a corner of that public stall. If any one among you knows the charm (that removes poison) and feels compassion for me, he should kindly give life to a helpless woman by restoring him to life." That maiden, having no alternative, with her voice faltering through fear, and her eyes overflowed with tears, tremblingly somehow went up to them and did as I desired. I also lay down, showing as if I was affected by the virulence of the poison. One of them, who prided himself on his being a poison-doctor, carefully surveyed me, and after treating me with a talisman, mystical formularies, charms and mental efforts, without success, declared—"Gone indeed, is he, bitten by the Destroyer (the deadly serpent); for his body is stiff and dark-blue, his eye-sight is steadied, and his warm breath stopped. Enough of grieving, O maiden! We shall consign the body to fire to-morrow. Who can transgress fate?" So saying, he departed with his comrades.

I rose up, and having taken her to Udāraka addressed him—
 “I am a certain thief; encountering on my way this maiden coming to you with no other companion than her heart set on you, I have attended her through compassion hither; here are her ornaments.” So saying, I also handed over to him those ornaments, which pierced the mass of darkness by their numerous rays. Udāraka, too, took them up, and with shame, joy and excitement said—“Honoured Sir, you have given me my beloved this night, but again have deprived me of speech. For I do not know what to say (how to thank you): If I were to say (इति) that this your act, viz. your escorting this damsel to me and restoring the ornaments) is wonderful, (it would be objected that) your character, indeed, appears to be something marvellous. If I were to say that this has never been done by any other (thief) before, (then it might be urged against me) that the power of things is fixed in each individually: for avarice and such other qualities which are found in others are absent in you. (If I were to say), that to-day you have clearly displayed what saintly character is, it would not agree with your previous virtuous acts mostly of such nature; also (if I were to say) that to-day is seen what the real nature of nobility of mind is, it will not be reasonable to arrive at such a decision without having consulted your opinion (your estimate of it). To say that you have bought this slave by this good act, would be an insult to your high mental faculties (or, judgement), as it would amount to saying that you bought a worthless thing for an extremely valuable one. If I were to say that I offer my body to you as a return-gift for your gift of my beloved to me, (it would not also be reasonable, for) my body is (virtually) a gift from you, as it would have perished had I not obtained my beloved. Or this much will be proper for me to say on this occasion—“From to-day, this your slave, should be supported by you.” So saying he fell at my feet. I raised him, embraced him and asked him what course of conduct he meant to adopt. He replied—“I shall not be able to reside in the city with safety upon marrying the damsel without the consent of her parents. I, therefore, propose to leave the city this very night.” “Or rather,” he added, “who I am I to decide? I will follow your advice.” Then I said—“It is as you say; (staying in) one’s own country or change of country is no consideration with a man of talent. But this maiden is tender in no small degree; the paths through a wilderness are very difficult, and abound in

obstacles ; and (again), such an abandonment of the native place bespeaks something like want of talent and spirit on one's part. You should, therefore, just live here happily with her. Come, let us conduct her to her own house." He readily assenting (*lit.* without giving thought to it), we at once took her to her house; and with her serving as our guide, we stole everything (in the house) except the earthen pots. Going forth from that place we placed our booty somewhere, and then proceeding, as we encountered a party of city-guards we mounted a powerful (*lit.* intoxicated) elephant lying down by the road-side after having pulled down the rider. Just as he was being urged to rise by me with my feet thrust into the chain round his neck, he, striking a blow slantingly with his tusk on the broad chest of the driver that was thrown down, and with his tusk encircled by his entrails, destroyed the city-guards. And by means of that very beast we destroyed the house of Arthapati. Driving him on we alighted in an old grove by catching hold of the branches of a tree (and holding fast to them till the animal passed on); then going to our house we took a bath and lay down on bed.

Just then rose up from the ocean the orb of the Sun, looking almost like a ruby peak of the rising mountain, and red like a wreath of the golden sprouts of the desire-fulfilling trees. We got up, washed our faces, and after performing the customary rites of the morning, walked about the town, astir on account of our deeds, when in the houses of the bride and the bridegroom, we heard a great clamour. Arthapati comforted Kuberadatta with a gift of riches, and arranged to have the marriage of Kulapáliká put off for a month. I then (thus) instructed Dhanamitra in secret—"Friend, wait upon the king of the Aṅgas with special reference to this jewel of a leather-bag just in private, and say—"Your Majesty knows that I am Dhanamitra, the only son of Vasumitra, whose wealth consisted of many crores. Having lost all my paternal wealth on account of a number of supplicants, I came to be despised by men. Now, as owing to the fault of my poverty Kuberadatta wished to give to Arthapati his daughter Kulapáliká, who was brought up for my sake only, I, in grief (or, through despondency) entered an old grove situated near the city, wishing to give up my life; but when about to place the scimitar on my throat, I was prevented by an ascetic and thus asked—"What is the reason of this desperate act?" I replied—"Poverty, the sister of contempt." Then he, the compassionate one, thus favoured

me—"Young man, you are under a delusion; no sin is more heinous than suicide. The good raise themselves (*i.e.* improve their position) by personal efforts, without destroying themselves. There are many ways of recovering lost wealth, but none to regain life that would depend on the re-joining of a throat that is cut off. But why go on thus? I am perfect in the power of spells; this leather-bag is endowed with magical power so as to grant a lac of coins. I lived for a long time in Kámarâpa, fulfilling the desires of the people there through its favour. Being exposed to jealousy in my old age, I came to this place wishing to enter a heaven on earth (as it were). So take this bag of that virtue. Excepting me, it yields treasures only to merchants or the best of courtesans; such is the experience about it. But one must first restore to a person whatever one might have dishonestly got from him, and must also give away to Bráhmaṇas and gods whatever is gained by just means. After this, being worshipped daily after being placed like an idol in a pure place, it will be found to be filled with gold every morning. This is the prescribed mode for making it work (*i.e.* yield the treasure)." With this he gave it to me who had folded my hands before him, and himself entered a cave. Thinking that this leather-bag, which is a precious gem, should not be used without informing Your Majesty about it, I have brought it to you; so Your Majesty should decide what is proper in this case." The king will surely say—"Good man, I am pleased. Go; use it just as you like." Then say to him again—"May I be so favoured that none can steal it away from me." This also he will undoubtedly undertake to do. After this, go home and according to your statement give away everything you have. Afterwards fill the bag, which will be emptied by daily demands, at night with money obtained by theft, and show it in the morning to the people. Then Kuberadatta, who is ever covetous of money, will esteem Arthapati as insignificant as grass, and will himself wait upon you with his daughter. Then Arthapati, being enraged, will, through the pride of riches, try to seek redress by legal means. Him, also, we will again reduce to a rag by various means. By this means our own theft also will be quite concealed." Dhanamitra, being delighted, did exactly as he was told. That very day Vimardaka, who had taken service under Arthapati, at my direction excited his enmity against Udáraka (Dhanamitra). The avaricious Kuberadatta, giving up Arthapati, earnestly

wished to give his daughter in marriage to Dhanamitra alone. And Arthapati came in his way (*lit.* opposed him).

Just at this time (*lit.* in these days), as Rāgamañjarī, the younger sister of Kāmamañjarī, was to give a musical concert at the public hall, the citizens, full of eager curiosity, were collected there. I, with such precedents, was present there with my friend Dhanamitra. When she had commenced dancing, my mind became (as it were) a second stage-ground (for her to dance, *i.e.* she made a deep impression on my mind). Cupid, taking refuge in the excellent bow in the form of the lotus-bed of her amorous glances, and gaining strength as it were on account of the display of feelings and sentiments in their entirety, tormented me exceedingly. Thereupon she bound me with the chains of a series of her sporting side-glances, dark-blue like the petals of blue lotuses, as if she were the presiding deity of the town, incensed at my thefts in the town. As she rose after dancing, appearing more graceful by the flush of success, she repeatedly looked at me, I know not whether through coquetry, or through desire for me, or merely by chance, with a glance from the corner of her eye, unnoticed even by her friends, and in a manner in which the creeper-like eyebrows were gracefully contracted; and smiling under some pretext, so as to display the moonlight of her teeth a little, she set out (for her house) followed by the eyes and minds of the people.

I, thus conditioned, went home; but on account of an irresistible longing, I had no desire, whatsoever, to take food; and under pretence of a headache I lay on my solitary bed, with drooping limbs. Dhanamitra, who was an adept in love-affairs, came to me and privately said to me—"Friend, blessed is that courtesan girl alone, since your mind is so deeply attached to her; I closely marked the affected state of her mind, too. Cupid will make her also lie on a bed of his arrows in no time. And the union of you two, who have each fixed your affection on the worthy person, can be brought about without any efforts. But that courtesan girl, as the report goes, with a noble and generous thought (mind) that goes contrary to the proper duties of courtesans, is said to have declared—"I am to be won by merit, and not by money; and my youth will not be enjoyed by another except by marriage." Her sister, Kāmamañjarī, and her mother Mādhavasenā, remonstrated with her against that; and not succeeding in their object, they, with tears choking their throats, applied to the King, saying—"Sire, we had a very great hope that your slave,

Rāgamañjarī, as perfect in character and in accomplishments as in form, would fulfil our desires; but that (hope) to-day is nipped in the bud; for she, setting aside the duties of her family, and quite regardless of wealth, wishes to sell her youth for merits only, and desires to follow only the unfailing course of life of a woman-of-family. It will be a nice thing, if even at the words of Your Majesty she comes to her senses." When she refused to listen, even though advised accordingly by the King out of regard to them, her sister and mother with persistent tears said to the King earnestly—"If any lover would mislead and seduce her without our wish (consent), he should be put to death as a thief." Such being the case, her relations will not give their consent without wealth, while she will not approach (*i.e.* accept) one who will give money. So here we have to think of a remedy." I said to him—"What is there to be thought over? We shall win her over by our virtues, while (at the same time) we shall secretly gratify her relatives with riches."

Then I won over Dharmarakshitā, a Buddhist female mendicant, the chief agent of Kāmamañjarī, with gifts of old garments, food and the like, and through her medium I made an agreement with that harlot that I should steal Dhanamitra's wonderful bag and give it to her if she would give me in return Rāgamañjarī. I, then, when she accepted my proposal, accomplished the business in that way (*i.e.* stole the bag for her) and took the sprout-like (tender) hand of Rāgamañjarī, who was fascinated (*lit.* intoxicated) with my qualities. In the beginning of the night on which the wonderful bag was to be given out as stolen, while the prominent townsmen, called under the pretext of some other business, were listening, Vimardaka, my secret agent, having insulted Dhanamitra, spoke many an angry word, showing himself as a partisan of Arthapati. Dhanamitra said—"What is your gain that you revile me for the sake of another? I do not remember to have done even a small injury to you." As if in a threatening tone, Vimardaka said again—"This is what is known as the pride of wealth, that you seek to make your own another's bride, bought off with the bride's-money, by alluring her parents again by means of wealth; and again you ask me, 'What wrong I have done to you' Why, it is well known that Vimardaka is the external life (*i.e.* second self) (as it were) of Arthapati, the leader of merchants. Such being the case, I will even give up my life for him, and will not shrink even from

the murder of a Brâhmana. It needs only one night's awakening on my part to chase away this your fever of pride of the wonderful bag." As he was saying so, the principal citizens angrily interrupted him and drove him away. First mentioning the loss of the wonderful bag, Dhanamitra, feigning uneasiness, communicated this news to the king, who sent for Arthapati and asked him in private—"Sir, have you some one connected with you, named Vimardaka?" The silly-minded Arthapati said—"Yes, Sir; he is my great friend; what is to be done with him?" When this was said the King asked him if he could call him to his presence. Arthapati, saying that he could, by all means, went home and carefully looked for him in his own house, in the streets, through the residence of courtesans in the gaming houses, and in the market-place, but did not find him. And how could the poor fellow find him out? For verily that Vimardaka, fully instructed by me as to the marks for recognizing Your Highness, had started for Ujjain, that very day, at my command. Arthapati, on his part, not seeing him (Vimardaka), thought that the crime committed by him would be connected with himself, and denied the charge, either through delusion or through fear; but again, when the matter was brought home to him by Dhanamitra, he was seized by the enraged King and put in chains.

Just in these days Kāmamañjarī, desirous of making the wonderful bag yield treasures according to the prescribed procedure for its use, went in secret to Virūpaka whom she had previously milked (deprived) of everything and who had become a Jain mendicant, and having greatly pacified him restored to him with courtesy all the property appropriated from him, and returned home. He, too, somehow freeing himself from the clutches of the Jains and being advised by me with the greatest gladness, resumed his former religion. Within a few days, Kāmamañjarī also reduced her large fortune to the residue of a hearth, with the hope of milking the wonderful bag. Dhanamitra, instructed by me, humbly requested the King in private, saying—"Sire, the courtesan Kāmamañjarī, who by her inordinate greed had become the object of the censure of the people by being nicknamed Lobha-mañjarī, is to-day indifferently giving away, in charity, even the pestle and mortar in her house. So I think it must be due to her acquisition of my magical bag; for such is the proscribed mode

for its use; and it has been known about it that it yields treasures only to merchants and the best among the courtesans, and not to anyone else. Hence it is that I suspect her." She was immediately summoned with her mother by the King. With apparent concern, I said to her in private—"Lady, surely you must have been suspected of having the wonderful bag, on account of your very widely-known abandonment of everything in charity. You are summoned by the King to be questioned about it. When pressed again and again, you will certainly point me out as the source of its acquisition; and then I shall be put to a torture-death; and when I am dead, your sister will not certainly live. As for you, you have not a pie with you, while the wonderful bag will again go into the possession of Dhanamitra. Thus this calamity will on all sides carry in its train a series of misfortunes. So, what should be done?" Her mother and she, both in tears, said—"It is surely on account of our folly that this secret has almost leaked out; though we may hide it for a day or two (*iiz.* two, three or four times), still, being pressed hard by the King, we shall have to give out your name as the source of the thing stolen. *viz.* the wonderful bag, and you being thus pointed out, our family will certainly be ruined. That infamy has (already) settled itself on Arthapati; and that niggardly fellow's close connexion with us is quite well-known in the town of Aṅga. So we had better save ourselves by declaring that it was he who gave it to us." Having thus communicated their intention to me, they both went to the palace. Being questioned by the King, they first prevaricated by saying again and again that it would not be just for harlots to expose their patrons, adding that it was not always the case that people came to them with money honestly acquired; but being threatened with the punishment of having their noses and ears cut off, those wretched harlots saddled the theft on that poor fellow, Arthapati. The King, in a rage, sentenced him to death; when Dhanamitra with folded hands interposed, saying—"Sire, the merchants have a special privilege from Maurya, *viz.* immunity from death in such offences. If Your Majesty is angry, let this villain have his whole property confiscated and be banished." On account of this (noble act of saving Arthapati) the fame of Dhanamitra spread far and wide; the King also was highly pleased (with him). Arthapati, who was vain of his wealth ere now, was banished in rags before the very eyes of the citizens. The wretched Kāmanāñjarī, who had given away

everything through the mirage of the wonderful bag, was, at the instance of Dhanamitra, compassionately favoured by the King with a portion of his (Arthapati's) treasures. Dhanamitra married Kulapalikā on an auspicious day. Thus, having succeeded in all my plans, I filled the house of Rāgamañjarī with gold and jewels.

The wealthy misers of the city were so robbed of their wealth that, with broken platters in their hands, they wandered all over, begging for alms at the houses of the supplicants whom I had enriched with their wealth. Man, though extremely ingenious, cannot transgress the line drawn by fate. For, one day, in order to pacify the love-anger of Rāgamañjarī, I coaxed her to drink; and with the mouthfuls of wine that she affectionately passed into my mouth I became intoxicated. It is but the nature of drunkenness and over-excitement, to follow even by taking a wrong course their wonted practices; and so I, in the height of my intoxication, promised to her that I would fill her house, having despoiled the city of its wealth in a single night; and, disregarding hundreds of oaths (protestations) and bows with folded hands of my beloved who was very much (distressed at it), like a mad elephant that has forcibly snapped its chains, I, without properly equipping myself set off at the greatest speed, armed only with my sword and followed by a certain nurse, named Ś'ṛigālikā. I fought with the city-guards fearlessly although advancing towards me; and without being much enraged though struck by them, being taken for a thief, as if in sport, slew two or three of them with the sword that fell from my hand enfeebled through intoxication, and fell down with my reddened eyes rolling. Then Ś'ṛigālikā, uttering cries of distress, came up to me and I was bound (at the same time). Roused to my senses at once by the misfortune that dissipated my drunkenness, I pondered with the help of the ready wit that came to me at that instant, (thus)—“ Oh, this great calamity has befallen me on account of my drunken state; my friendship with Dhanamitra, as also my acceptance of Rāgamañjarī in marriage, are but too well-known in this town; both of them, being involved in consequence of this my offence, will be arrested to-morrow; so this is the course to be adopted at this juncture, which being followed at my direction they will surely be saved, and will perchance save me from this distress.” Thus reflecting and having definitely settled some-

plan within myself, I said to Śrīgālikā—" Away with you, old wench ; undone (disappointed in your wishes) are you who brought about a union between that wretched harlot, Rāgamañjarī, who is covetous of wealth, and Dhanamitra, who is drunk with (the pride) of the wonderful bag and who is my enemy wearing the garb of a friend ; but having stolen that wonderful bag of that villain and carried off the precious ornaments of your daughter, I shall now relinquish life with an easy heart (*lit.* free from its dart)." She (Śrīgālikā), an exceedingly clever woman, took the hint, folded her hands, and approaching with tears and sobs, bowed low to the guards and said in a conciliatory tone—" Good sirs, please wait for some time so that I shall know from him about the whole of our property that has been stolen." They assenting with the words ' Very well,' she came up to me and said—" Gentle sir, kindly forgive this one offence of your slave ; let that Dhanamitra be the object of your hatred if you like, since he violated your wife ; but remembering the long and faithful service she did to you, it is proper for you to be kind to Rāgamañjarī. Courtesans entirely depend (for their livelihood) upon decorations (dress and ornaments) ; so kindly tell me where you have deposited her ornaments." With these words she fell at my feet. I appearing to take pity on her said—" All right ; what am I to gain by my persistence in my enmity with her, now that I am in the clutches of death ?" And as if I were going to say that (*i.e.* everything about the ornaments) to her, I whispered into her ear what was to be done. She as if having understood me, blessed me, saying—" May you live long ; may the gods be pleased with you ; may the King of Aṅgas, pleased by your manliness, release you ; may these good people also be kind to you !"—and withdrew in an instant. And I, too, was taken to the prison by the order of the chief constable.

The next day, Kāntaka, the chief of the city-police who had lately succeeded to his father's post, who was exceedingly arrogant, who considered himself highly fortunate and beautiful, and who was inexperienced owing to the pride of youth, came to me, and threatening me a little, said—" If you will not return Dhanamitra's wonderful purse, and their stolen property to the citizens, you will see the end of the eighteen tortures and finally the jaws of death." I laughed at him and said—" Gentle sir, though I may give up all the wealth I have stolen from my birth, I will never gratify the desire for the wonderful purse of my enemy, Dhanamitra, the ravisher of the wife of Arthapati, who only out-

wardly passes for my friend. I will suffer even a myriad of tortures, but not give it back ; this is my firm resolve." While there went on in the same manner all kinds of questionings in which there were conciliations and threats held out, I, getting wholesome food and drink, had all my wounds healed within a few days and was restored to health.

After this once, as the day drew to its close with its light yellow like the garment of Viṣṇu, Śṛīgālikā, with a smiling countenance and handsomely dressed, approached me, her follower standing at a distance, and said—"Sir, you are fortunate: your wisely devised plans have borne fruit (i.e. become successful); I went to Dhanamitra as directed by you and said - "Your friend who is thus in distress has sent this message to you: "I am to-day made a prisoner on account of the vice of drinking so easy to contract by being in the company of courtesans. But you on your part should without any fear address the King just to-day saying—"Sire, through the favour of Your Majesty alone, the wonderful bag was recovered on a former occasion from Arthapati, who had stolen it. Thereafter the husband of Rāgamañjarī, a certain expert gambler, came in contact with me (became my friend) owing to his extreme proficiency in arts, poesy and in popular parlance; on account of his friendship I used to please his wife every day by sending her garments and ornaments and by such other means. That base-hearted sharper grew suspicious about it; and he being enraged took away that wonderful bag and also her casket of ornaments. But he, roaming over the town again to steal, was arrested by the city-guards. Now being in distress, he, having regard for his former love (for Rāgamañjarī), told the place where he had deposited the casket to the nurse of Rāgamañjarī, who had followed him in tears; so if he, being won over by (proper) remedies, will give back my purse, I solicit Your Majesty to show me such a favour." Thus informed, the King will not deprive me of my life, but will try by conciliatory means alone to induce me to restore your property to you. And this will be advantageous to us." Just as he heard it, he, as he had confidence in your prowess, without being much alarmed did all that exactly in that manner. Now I also, getting whatever things I desired from Rāgamañjarī whose confidence I gained by means of the token of recognition from you, pleased in the way pointed out by you Māṅgalikā, the nurse of the princess Ambālikā. Through her medium I developed a fast friendship between Rāgamañjarī and Ambālikā. Bringing to her ever-new.

presents every day and telling her wonderful tales, attractive to the mind, I became a great object of favour with her. One day, as she (Ambáliká) was sitting on the terrace of her mansion. I, while putting right the lotus, her ear-ornament, pretending that it had slipped down though it was in its proper place, let it fall as if through carelessness, and then picking it up again from the ground and laughing out under the pretext of frightening away the pair of pigeons that were engaged in amorous sport, I struck with it Kántaka who had entered for some reason the court-yard of the palace adjacent to the apartment of the princess. As he, too, owing to that, considered himself blessed and looked up with a smile, I also, with a gesture, acted in an indescribably clever way so as to make him think the almost amorous-looking features of the princess, who was induced to burst into laughter by my act, due to her strong partiality for him. Wounded by the Mind-born One (Cupid), who had fully drawn his bow, with a shaft the dart of which was venomous, he being quite beside himself thereby, went away with difficulty. In the evening, I made a certain girl take a cane-box sealed with the princess' signet-ring and containing in it perfumed *támbûla* (or, perfumes and *támbûla*) silk-garments and a few ornaments; and taking it as meant for Râgamañjarî, went with her to the house of Kántaka. He who was plunged in the unfathomable passion's ocean, felt greatly rejoiced on getting me as a boat. The silly (or, wicked) man's passion was raised to a very high pitch by me by describing in detail the extremely tormenting states of the princess' love-affected condition. At his instance, I brought him, the next day, as presents from his beloved, a garland worn the previous day by me, a *támbûla* (betel-roll) from my own mouth, an unguent used by me, and an unclean garment. The things that he gave I took as for the princess, but they were carried away in secret elsewhere.

He himself, whose fire of love was thus kindled, was addressed by me in private—"Sir, the auspicious marks themselves (of elevation) that you bear are not to falsify themselves (i. e. will prove true). For a neighbour of mine, an astrologer, told me—"This kingdom shall fall into Kántaka's hands; he bears such marks." And just in accordance with that the princess has fallen in love with you; and the King, whose only child the princess is, though incensed on knowing about your union with her, will not, through fear of his daughter's death, execute you, but on the contrary will certainly crown you heir-apparent.

Thus this good fortune is to be followed by another one. Why don't you then, dear one, try to secure it? If you cannot think of some means to get an entrance into the princess' apartment, then, I say, the distance between the prison-wall and the rampart of the pleasure-garden is only three *Vyāmas*. If by some skilful robber you get a subterranean passage made of that length, then, once in, your protection will rest with us; for her attendants are deeply attached to her and will never divulge the secret." He replied—"Well suggested, friend! There is a thief who is as it were one (equal to any) of the sons of *Sagara* in the act of digging; if he is secured, he will accomplish the work in a moment." When I said—"Who can he be, and why can he not be procured?" he pointed you out, saying—"It is the man who stole *Dhanamitra's* magic purse;" I said—"If it be so, come on. Make an agreement with him with an oath; that you will liberate him by various ways if he achieved the task; and that being done, fetter him again, and representing to the King that though prevailed upon in every way that thief, who is the very abode of intrepidity and whose enmity is inveterate, would not show the magic purse, you will put him to death by submitting him to peculiar tortures. This being accomplished you will gain your object and the secret will not leak out." When I said this he was highly pleased and having accepted (my counsel), appointed my own self to persuade you to it, and is himself standing outside. (So far the plans have been successfully carried out). Now think of what is proper to do next." I was very much pleased and said—"What I said was but nothing; your own policy has greatly contributed to this. Very well, bring him in." When brought in he took an oath to set me free and I never to divulge his secret. My chains were removed, and I had a bath and food given to me along with unguents. Beginning in an ever dark corner of the prison-wall, I excavated a subterranean passage with a snake-headed tool. Then I thought to myself—"This man has taken an oath to liberate me simply with a mind (desire) to murder me; so I shall not incur (let be touched with) the sin of proving false to my promise, even if I kill him." As I was going out, he extended his hand to fetter me, when I kicked him on the breast; and as he fell down I cut off his head with my knife. Then I said to *Śrigalikā*—"Tell me, friend, how the apartment of the princess is situated; (let me know it) so that (all) this great labour would not go in vain: there I shall steal something and return."

I entered the princess' apartment whose different parts were shown to me by her (*Śṛigālikā*), and in the midst of her attendants that were asleep owing to the exhaustion caused by sports not of one kind, I beheld the princess gone to sleep in full confidence while jewel-lamps were burning brightly, and looking, on account of her one side being almost buried in the exceedingly white bed-sheet, (charmingly slender and bright) like lightning lying steady, as it were, on account of the exhaustion caused by its flashing for a long time on the lap of an autumnal cloud; (she lay), on the surface of a couch the ivory feet of which had the shape of a recumbent lion and were set with big and precious jewels, which appeared splendid with the bed and pillows stuffed with downy feathers, and had its borders decked (*or*, engraved) with petals of flowers; in a manner in which the upper fore-part of her left foot was entwined with the inner side of her right heel, her beautiful ankle-joints were a little turned to the side, the stout and long calves of her legs were in close contact with each other; her tender knees were a little bent and her thighs a little curled; (in which) she looked attractive on account of the extremity of one of her slender (*lit.* creeper-like) arms loosely thrown over the hips, while the sprout-like hand, with its palm outstretched, of the other creeper-like arm, was contracted and thrown under the crown of the head; (in which) her round hips were a little curved, the fine under-garment of China-silk lay closely adorning to her person, and her extremely slender belly was not much bent; her budlike and fully-developed breasts were heaving as she was breathing perceptibly, while the neck-ornament made of rubies and interwoven in (the middle of) her necklace of burnished gold, was to be seen lying near the region of her lovely neck resting slantingly; her ear-ornament lying motionless under her beautiful ear turned down was half-visible; and her somewhat loosened braid of hair lying unevenly was tinged red with the cluster of rays from the jewelled ornament of the ear that was turned up, while the space between the red upper and lower lips was difficult to be discovered owing to the mass of their own lustre; (in which) the purpose of the ear-pendant was served by her sprout-like hand passed under the broad cheek; while the act of drawing the ornamental painting on her cheek was done by the different leaves in the embroidered canopy mirrored into her transparent cheek that was turned upwards; (in which) her lotus-like eyes were closed and the banner-like eyebrows still; (in which) the sandal *tilaka* had been moistened and mixed with

the drops of perspiration that were rising up and her long and curly hair hung about (*lit* faced) the moon of her face. With my passion kindled at her very sight, awe struck, without the least desire to steal, but robbed, instead, of my heart, I stood for a moment quite at a loss to know what to do. I then thought to myself—" Love will not suffer me to live, if I do not secure this maiden with beauteous eyes. If I touch her without previous intimation (*or*, appointment, this extremely young girl (quite inexperienced in love-matters) will evidently destroy my desire by her cry of distress, and then I shall have struck at myself (*i.e.* destroyed my prospects); so this is the way to be followed in the present case."—Thus reflecting I took a board dyed with the paste of a kind of gum, which was hanging from a peg, picked up a painting brush from a jewelled drawing-box, and sketched her sleeping in that manner, and myself kneeling at her feet with hands folded, and wrote this A rya (verse) :—

" This your slave here, with folded hands, implores of you
" this object that is so well known, *viz.*—sleep with me, exhausted
" in sport alone, and not in this manner."

Then taking from the golden betel-box a spiced roll of betel-nut leaves, a bit of camphor, and scented catechu, and chewing these I spat (*i.e.* spat in such a way as to give rise to) a pair of Chakravákas on the white wall, with its juice reddish like the *alaktaka* dye. After this, exchanging rings (hers and mine) I somehow (with great reluctance) departed. Returning to the prison-house through that subterranean passage, I counselled a leading citizen, Simbaghosha by name, who was imprisoned there and who was treated by me in those days as a friend, saying—" Thus I have killed the poor Kántaka; you should disclose the secrets (intrigue of Kántaka) and procure your freedom thereby," and I then set off with Śrīgálíká. Come to the royal road, I encountered the men of the guard. I thought—" I am able to run away untouched by these; but this poor old woman will be seized (arrested); so this is the best thing to be done at this time." So I quickly ran up to them, and placing my elbows on my back and standing with my face turned away from them, I said—" If I am a thief, do you seize me; for it is your duty and not of this old hag." She, on her part, having guessed my intention from that much (those my words), came to them and bowing said—" My good friends, this is my son: being affected by hysteria (*or*, lunacy), he was under treatment for a

long time. The other day he was almost cured and restored to the natural condition of his health. Filled with hope (that he was cured), I procured his release from the prison, made him take a bath, apply unguents to his body, wear a pair of unbleached (now) garments and take excellent food; and he was allowed to-day freedom of action as regards sitting and sleeping. But at midnight, being seized by his malady again, he ran off with great speed to the public road, exclaiming that he would put Kántaka to death and sport with the princess. Finding my son in this condition, I am running after him at this hour of the night; so please have mercy on me and catch hold of him, and give him over to me." As she thus cried out I exclaimed—"Away, you wench! Who has ever bound the god Wind? Can these crows (presume to) restrain (or, catch) me, a hawk? Tush!"—and away I ran. Reproved by them with the words—"You yourself were mad who set him free, thinking him to be sane when he was not so; who can catch him now?"—she ran after me, just weeping. I went to the house of Rágamañjarî, and having in many ways cheered her up who was distressed with the sorrow of long separation, passed the remaining part of the night. In the morning I joined the company of Udáraka.

I then went to the revered Marîchi, who had regained his divine ken by the power of the penance practised by him after having got out of the calamity of the harlot, and by him I was told that I should thus obtain your sight. Simhaghosha, who was installed in Kántaka's place by the King who was much pleased with him after publicly announcing his (Kántaka's) misconduct, again effected my entrance into the apartment of the princess by that very subterranean passage from the prison-house, and I was united with the princess, who grew attached to me on hearing the account coming from the lips of Śrigalikâ. Just about this time Chandavarmâ, highly incensed at his request for the hand of his daughter being refused by Simhavarmâ, attacked and besieged the city. The king of Aṅga, Simhavarmâ, impatient (of the outrage), himself made a breach into the rampart just as the enemy was thinking of commencing operations (in connexion with the siege), and without waiting for his allies although arrived very near, came out of the city; but having his armour shattered to pieces by his mighty foe with superior numbers in a great battle, was forcibly taken captive. The princess Ambâlikâ was also powerfully seized and carried to his own

camp by Chaṇḍavarmā, for being married to himself forcibly ; and it was said that he (even) tied the auspicious marriage-string, as the marriage was to take place at the close of the night. I also, having fastened the auspicious marriage-string to my wrist at Dhanamitra's house, in order to marry the very same princess, said to him—"Friend, the allies advancing for helping the king of the Aṅgas are close at hand ; conspiring with the grown-up men of the city with the greatest secrecy, bring them near ; when you return, you will surely find the enemy with his head cut off." When he agreed to it, saying 'Very well,' I, with my weapon concealed, entered, along with the Brâhmanas (having to repeat the auspicious verses), the palace of him (my foe), doomed to die, which was full of the bustle attendant on the festival, and wherein the materials for the ceremony were being collected and the people were busy going in and out. And as Chaṇḍavarmā was about to take the tender hand of Ambalikâ that was offered by the domestic priest with the holy fire standing as witness, I dragged his long arm and stabbed him in the chest with my dagger. I also despatched to Yama's abode (killed) some others that strove to seize me. Moving from one room to another of the house wherein some were destroyed and others were routed, I saw the long-eyed one, with her lovely limbs trembling through fear, and taking her with me entered an inner apartment with the desire to enjoy the pleasure of her embrace. At that very moment I had the good fortune to hear your voice, deep like the sound of fresh clouds "

Râjavâhana, having heard this narrative, smiled, and remarking—"How now ! You have surpassed by desperate deeds (it hardihood) even Karpîsuta," turned his eyes to Upahâra-varma and desired him to narrate his adventures as it was his turn. He, too, having bowed (to him) with a smile, began to narrate (thus). —

UDDHIVÂSA III.

I once went (started in search of you), in the course of my peregrinations, to Videha ; even without entering Mithilâ. I repaired for rest to a certain convent outside the city. There having water-for-my feet, given me by a certain old female devotee. I sat at the threshold for a short time. At my very sight tears flowed forth (from her eyes) forming into a stream. for some

reason or another. Asked by me—"Mother, what is this, tell me the reason," she replied in a pitiful tone—"O you of long life, surely it is well known that Prahāravarmā was the king of this city of Mithilā; Rājahansa, the king of Magadha, was, indeed, his fast friend. Their queens, Vasumatī and Priyampvadá, like those of the demons Bala and Śambala, formed an uncommon friendship between themselves. Priyampvadá went with her lord to Pushapura to see her dear friend, Vasumatī, on the festive occasion of her first pregnancy. Just at that time a war broke out between the king of Magadha and the king of Málwā, in which the king of Magadha met with a fate that could not to be ascertained in the least. Prahāravarmā, who was spared by the efforts of the king of Málwā, returned to his country; but hearing that his kingdom was occupied by the sons of his elder brother Saṃhārvarmā, Vikāṭavarmā and others, he, wishing to take for his assistance a portion of the army of his sister's son, the king of Suhma, entered a forest (on his way) and there was plundered of everything by forest bandits. I fled with the younger of his sons in my arms from fear of the shower of arrows of the foresters, and plunged into a wood. There as I fell, being struck by the paw of a tiger, the child, fallen from my hands, hid himself under the bosom of the dead body of a brown cow. An arrow discharged from a bow deprived in an instant the tiger, who was dragging that carcass, of his life; and the child was carried off by the boys of the foresters. A certain cowherd conveyed me who lay senseless in that manner to his hut and placed me in it. There through his kindness I had my wounds dressed and healed; and then as I, wishing to repair to my master's presence after recovery, felt distressed owing to my helplessness, my own daughter, accompanied by a youth, arrived at the very place. She wept very much. When she had done weeping, she related her account: How the caravan-troops being defeated, the prince that was in her hands fell into the hands of the leader of the mountaineers; how she had her wounds healed by a forester, and how after her recovery she had to do the harshness of a refusal, owing to her disgust for the connexion with a low tribe, on his proposing to marry her; how he, not brooking that, attempted to cut off her head in the lonely forest, and (lastly) how the youth (in her company), who was accidentally seen, put the ruffian to death and espoused her. He, being asked, turned out to be a servant of the king of Mithilā who had stayed behind on some business. and was now proceeding by the same way.

We, in his company, approached our master, and burnt with the news of (the loss of) their sons, his ears and also those of the queen Priyamvadā.

Prahāravarmā fought long with the sons of his elder brothers, and again finding his position unbearable fought desperately for a very long time, and through the adverseness of fate was made a prisoner; and the queen, too, was made a captive. Then I, an unfortunate wretch, unable to give up my wretched life even in this old age, turned out a recluse; while my daughter, out of love for her accursed life, took service with Kalpasundarī, the queen of Vikāṭavarman. Had the two princes grown up without injury (to their life), by this time they would have been of your age; and they being present, the relatives of the king could not have laid violent hands upon him." At this her grief being increased she wept violently. On hearing the words of the nun, I also burst into tears, and very secretly said to her—"If it be so, mother, be comforted. You remember there was a sage to whom under the circumstances you applied for finding out the boy? He was found and brought up by him; it is a very long tale; what is to be done with that? I am that boy. It is in my power to approach that Vikāṭavarman somehow and to kill him; but again, he has many brothers; and the people will make common cause even with them. Besides, no one here knows me as being such and such (*i.e.* my parentage and rank); even my parents do not know me, much less any other persons. So I shall achieve my object by means of some stratagem." Thus I spoke to her. That old woman embraced me weepingly, smelled me on my head and with her breasts dropping milk said to me—"Son, may you be long lived! May good luck attend you! Revered fate seems to be favourable now; even to-day the country of Videha has come to be under the rule of Prahāravarmā, since here you, of long and massive arms, stand ready to ferry us all over the ocean of misery! Ah! very fortunate, indeed, is Queen Priyamvadā"—and then she, full of excessive joy, ministered to my comfort by giving me bath, food and everything else. I lay on a mat in a part of the convent, and thought to myself—"This object cannot be achieved without a stratagem, and women alone are the source of stratagems. So I should formulate a plan by procuring information about the harem through the old nurse." As I was thus meditating, the night passed off as if blown away by the force of the breath of the horses of the Sun

emerged from the ocean. The sun rose shining with a faint light, as if rendered sluggish by his stay in the depth of the ocean.

I got up, finished all the rites proper for the morning, and then said to my foster-mother—"Mother, do you know anything of the harem of that rogue, Vikatavarman?" I had scarcely spoken, when a young female appeared. That my nurse, as soon as she saw her, exclaimed, her throat choked with tears of joy—"Daughter Pushkariká, see our master's son! I relentlessly left him in the forest and now he comes to us in this manner." She, too, overcome with excess of joy, wept (with joy) for a long time. When the excitement subsided, she was desired by her mother to tell the state of affairs in the harem. She said—"Prince Kalpasundarí, the daughter of Kalindavarman, the Lord of Kámarûpa, excels the Apsarasas in beauty as well as in the knowledge of arts, and has not much regard for her husband. Vikatavarmá is excessively attached to her alone, though he has many other ladies in his harem." (On hearing this, I said to her—"Kindly approach the queen with perfumes and garlands prepared by me; create hatred in her for her lord, by such things as finding fault with the connexion of two unequal persons; make her repent by citing to her the example of Vāsavadattá and other distinguished females, who obtained lords quite worthy of themselves; and heighten her jealous anger by bringing to her knowledge the diversions of the king with other females in the palace, after diligently finding them out though very secret." Then to my old nurse I said—"Similarly, you also, leaving every other business, should attend upon the queen and you yourself should every day report to me whatever should happen there; again, this your daughter should, as advised by me, always attend upon Kalpasundarí like her own shadow, with a view to accomplish this our object which will have an agreeable end." Both of them performed their missions exactly as I desired.

When a few days had elapsed, my nurse told me that the queen had been so worked up that she considered herself as ill-matched as the lovely Mádhaví creeper with the bitter Nimba tree, and then asked me what further was to be done. I then drew a likeness of myself, and said to her—"Take this to the queen; when presented, she would surely, on looking at it, ask if there was a man possessing a form like that. Then ask the queen, in

return, "What, if there be one?"—and then communicate to me her answer to this question. She, saying that she would do so, repaired to the palace, and after returning said to me in private—"Son, I showed that picture-canvas to that lovely beauty, when, full of astonishment, she said—"Indeed, this earth is blessed since even in the divine Cupid such exquisite beauty of form is not present. The picture itself is still more wonderful; to my knowledge no resident of this place is able to delineate one like this. Who is it that painted it?"—thus she asked in great earnestness. I smiled and said—"Queen, what you say is but proper. It is impossible to think that even Cupid is so beautiful; but again, this sea-begirt earth is wide enough, and therefore such a form due to the power of fate can be found somewhere. Now, if a youth endowed with such a form and born in a high family were to be here with talents, graces, lores and knowledge to correspond (to his beauty), what may he expect?" Kalpasundarî replied—"Mother, what should I say: For, my body, heart, and life itself,—all these are insignificant and unworthy of him; so he would get nothing. If this be not a fiction, so favour me that these my eyes will have their purpose fulfilled by obtaining the sight of such a person." Again, in order to confirm her in her longing, I said—"There ~~is~~ such a youth, the son of a king, who is living *incognito*. You, like Rati incarnate, came within the range of his eyes by chance, at the Spring-festival, while diverting yourself in the gardens of the city with your friends; and being penetrated by (*lit.* being the one mark of) the arrows of Kâma, he offered to be guided by me in the matter. I (thus approached), impelled by the excellent virtues and extraordinary forms, befitting each other, of you both, served you for a long time with bouquets and garlands of flowers, unguents and other things, all prepared by him. It was also he who painted his own likeness and sent it to you to show how deep his devotion was to you. If this matter be determined upon, nothing can come in his way who possesses extraordinary valour and talents. I shall even show him to you this very day; you have simply to make an appointment." The queen, too, reflected a little as it were, and then replied—"Mother, now I need not at all conceal this from you, and therefore I shall tell you. My father was a great friend of Prahâravarma, and my mother Mânavatî was equally devoted to the queen Priyamvadâ. These two, before they had children, agreed between themselves that she who would have a son, should marry him to the daughter of the other. As the sons of Priyamvadâ were lost, my father,

as luck would have it, gave me in marriage to Vikatavarman, who solicited me. This my husband is a cruel man, a treacherous son, of a mis-shapen body, wanting in skill in amorous sports, not much attached to arts, poetry or dramas, of reckless valour, a vain boaster, a liar and a man bestowing his favours on unworthy objects. I don't like him, and not especially in these days, since even disregarding Pushkariká, my confidential maid standing by his side, he, with flowers plucked by himself from the Champaka creeper that I had planted and reared as if it had been my child, decorated Ramayantiká, a dancing girl in his service who does not know her own interest, and has entertained against me the jealousy of a rival wife; and he even amused himself in her company on the jewelled couch lying on the dais in the cave of the pleasure-mountain, when it was left by me after being enjoyed. The man is unworthy of me and has now commenced insulting me. Then why should regard be shown to him? The fear of the next world is obscured by the sufferings in this, and the misery of being compelled to associate with a man they hate can ill be borne by women whose minds have become the quiver (*i.e.* the constant target) of the arrows of Cupid. Do you therefore unite me with this man to-day in the Mádhavî bower in the garden; for, my mind has been very deeply attached to him on my merely hearing the information about him. I have this treasure in my possession; by its means I will establish him in his (Vikatavarman's) place and pass my life entirely in his service (*lit.* in attending on him)." Having accepted her proposal I have returned; now what to do further rests with the Prince (yourself)."

Then having learnt just from her the situation of the inner apartments, the places of the men keeping guard over these, and even the sites of the pleasure-garden as regards their distinct position, when the orb of the Sun was reddened as if the blood was thrown up to its surface in consequence of its fall on the summit of the setting mountain, when the sky was filled with the darkness spreading about, as if it were the mass of smoke arising out of the burning charcoal in the form of the Sun extinguished by his fall in the waters of the western ocean; when the moon, the chief of the planets, the admirer (covetor) of the wife of Brihaspati, rose as if to instruct me, disposed to violate another's wife; and when Cupid was getting ready with a desire for the conquest of the world, his valour being accel-

erated by the smiling disc of the moon, as if it were the lotus-like face of Kalpasundarî, that first showed itself with an eager desire to see me, I reclined on my bed as usual and reflected—"This object of mine is almost achieved. But, on account of the violation of another's wife, Dharma (righteousness) may be obstructed. But it is quite allowed by the writers of sacred books, if thereby wealth and love can both be secured. Again, I am going to incur the sin having in view the liberation of my parents; this (my motive) will extenuate the sin and will endow me with some religious merit at least. But then, on hearing this, how would the prince and my friends judge of my conduct?" While lost in such thoughts I was overtaken by sleep. The god with an elephant's mouth (Gajânana) appeared in my dream and said—"Gentle Upaharavarman, don't you have any misgivings since you are a portion of me, and that beautiful lady (Kalpasundarî) is the heavenly river (Ganges), deemed worthy of being fondled (by being borne) on the mass of the matted hair by Śiva; once she, not liking my wading through her (stream), denounced a curse upon me that I should be born a mortal, when in return I also cursed her that she should also be a mortal and that, as here, she should be an object of common enjoyment. She then addressed a request to me, saying—"Being the wife of one man first, I should sport throughout my life with you, ministering to your comfort." So this is a matter destined to happen, and you should have no scruples about it at all." I awoke, and quite pleased at heart passed that day also in thinking about everything with reference to the appointment of my beloved.

Kâma, unoccupied the next day elsewhere, poured a shower of arrows upon me; the lake of the brilliant lustre of the Sun became dry, and there spread about the mud of darkness. Clothed in dusky raiment, with my loins tightly girdled, grasping my sword, and furnishing myself with all the implements necessary for my purpose, I repaired to the ditch round the palace, filled with water, all the while bearing in mind the directions given by my foster-mother. When I reached the ditch I took up the bamboo-pole that was previously placed there near the door of my foster-mother's house by Puskarikâ, and by laying it first crosswise and then erect I first got over the ditch and then the rampart. Then I reached the ground by means of a flight of steps made of baked bricks, that rose up .

to the tower attached to the gate of the palace. When got down I passed beyond the row of the Bakula trees, and going a little further by the Ohampaka avenue, I heard away in the north the piteous cries of the Chakravāka pairs. I then turned to the north, nearly a bow-shot distance, by the row of Pātali trees, where the bulging wall of the spacious palace could be felt, then due east by the gravel path, both the sides of which were decked with thickets of red Aśokas and Jasmines, and then walking a little further north, I entered the mango-grove to the south. Then, with the help of the meagre light shooting from a covered lantern slightly open, in one place I observed a very dense Mādhavi bower having in its centre a raised floor formed of gems. Entering from one part of it, I entered an inner bower surrounded on all sides with walls of the thick rows of young *Kurabakas* with full-blown flowers, by opening a door formed of the branches of red Aśoka plants that touched the earth, marked with bristling hair in the form of fresh buds and looking red with the mass of tender foliage. In it there were a well-spread couch of flowers, caskets of lotus-leaves filled with materials for amorous enjoyment, an ivory fan, and a vase filled with fragrant water. There having rested after sitting awhile, I inhaled the extremely pleasant odours about me; and I heard the gentle sound of foot-steps (approaching). Just as I heard it, I left the chamber of assignation, and hid myself behind a part of the trunk of a red Aśoka tree. That beautiful-eyebrowed lady, full of intense passion, slowly arrived, and not finding me there, felt considerably uneasy, and then, like an intoxicated female swan, broke into faltering accents charming and impassioned. "It is quite plain that I am deceived; I see no means of bearing my life. O my heart, having undertaken as possible what was impossible, why do you pine now, having failed to gain your object? Revered God of Love, what offence did I give you that you, instead of reducing me to ashes, thus burn me (slowly by causing despair &c.)?" I then appeared before her, and uncovering the lantern (so that it might give full light), said—"Charming damsel, truly have you greatly offended Cupid, since you have put to shame Rati who is his very life with your form; his bow, with your creeper-like eye-brows; his bow-string, formed of a row of bees, with your beautiful dark-blue tresses; his missiles, with your unceasing (*lit.* showers of) side-long glances; the safflower-coloured cloth of his banner, by the net-work of rays from your beautiful lips; his chief

friend the Malaya breeze, by the excessively fragrant air of your breath; the cooings of the cuckoos, by your sweet words; his flowery banner, by your long and slender arms; the two bulging pots filled with water as an auspicious mark at the beginning of his conquest of the quarters by your stout breasts; his pleasure-pond, by your round and deep navel; his chariot fully equipped for battle, by your round hips; the two postal columns set with jewels before his mansion, by your thighs; and the tender sprout sportively hung on his ears, by the lustre of the soles of your feet. Hence it is but just that Cupid is tormenting you. But to me who am quite innocent, he is the more distressing; so *this* is his real fault. Be pleased, therefore, O fair one, and with your side long glances, as with herbs tending to bring back life, receive me who am bitten by the serpent in the form of Cupid." So saying I closely embraced her and sported with her, whose large eyes looked beautiful on account of the passion of love. And I found that she being gratified her eyes were a little red and rolling, and her cheeks thickly covered with the rise of slight lines of perspiration; that she talked unrestrained but sweet murmurs, bore the reddish marks of nails and teeth, had her limbs extremity relaxed and looked as if exhausted. I, therefore, slackening the fixity of mind and body, put myself also in a like condition. Then at once separating and again sitting together, * * * we, for a short time, remained putting implicit confidence in each other, as if we had known each other long since. Again I heaved a long and heavy sigh, and with a somewhat sad look, I feebly embraced her, with arms tremblingly stretched out, and gave her a faint kiss. She, in tears, with folded hands, said—"Lord, if you go, be sure that my life too will depart; so take me also with you: if not, this thy slave will feel life to be without purpose." I replied to her—"Charming damsel, who that! has feelings will not joyfully hail a woman herself loving him? If you are firm in your resolve to favour me do what I tell you without giving thought to it (i.e. unhesitatingly). In private, show the canvas with my portrait to the king, and ask him if the figure has reached the highest perfection of male beauty or not. He will surely say—"Yes, indeed it has." Then do you say to him again—"If it be so, there is an old female ascetic who has acquired great skill by travelling through different countries, and who has been a mother to me. Placing this painting before me she said—"There is a charm possessing that virtue whereby, under fast, on the

night of the new moon, if you, being alone, offer in a lonely place, to the holy fire after the priest has worshipped it with offerings and retired, a hundred *samidhs* of the sandal tree, a hundred of aloe-wood, a handful of camphor, and many rich garments, you will surely obtain this very form. Then you are to sound a bell, when, being summoned by the sound of the bell, if your husband will tell you all his secrets (i.e. purposes and plans) and with his eyes closed embrace you, this form will be transferred from you to him, while you will have your own form as before. If you and your husband approve of this, you should not fail to carry out my instructions." If you like this form very much, then you should take counsel with your friends, counsellors, younger brothers and the people of the city and the country, and with their approval proceed in this business (to achieve this object). He will undoubtedly agree to this. Again, in this part of the female garden where four roads meet, when the fire will be fed with the sacrifice of beasts killed (for the purpose) according to the rites prescribed by the Atharvaveda and left (by the priest). I shall enter and hide myself in this bower at the disappearance of the smoke. When the night will be far advanced, you with a humorous smile on your lips, shall whisper into Vikatavarman's ear—"Indeed, you are cunning and ungrateful; you will divert yourself with my rivals though only through my favour you will have gained a beautiful form, serving as a high festival to the eyes of the people. So I will not raise a goblin for my own destruction." You shall then come to me alone, and tell me what he will say on hearing these words of yours. I alone shall know what to do next. Have the marks of my foot-steps in the garden effaced by Pushkarikā." She, saying—"So it shall be done," respected my words as though they were the injunctions of the scriptures, and retired reluctantly, with her passion not fully gratified, to the inner apartments. I also departed by the same way that I had come in, and went to my own dwelling.

In a short time, the fair lady did everything as I desired and that silly fellow acted up to her advice; and a wonderful rumour ran through the city that the king Vikatavarman was to obtain, by the magic skill of the queen, a form worthy of gods, that it could not be a deception but a fortunate occurrence, that no mischief was possible since the object was to be achieved by the queen herself in the garden attached to the inner apartments, and further that it was allowed by the ministers, as talented as

Bṛihaspati himself, after full thought; and, if it turns out a fact, nothing could be more wonderful than that; for incomprehensible is the power of gems, charms and herbs. While such rumours were afloat, as the new-moon day came on, in the dense darkness of its night, when well advanced, there issued from the garden near the inner apartments a mass of smoke, dark like the throat of Śiva; and the smell of the offerings, such as milk, ghee, curds, sesamum, white mustard, fat, flesh and blood, following (wafted by) the wind, spread in all the quarters. When the smoke had suddenly disappeared, I entered the garden, and that beautiful woman (*lit.* she with an elephant's gait) also came into the garden attached to the palace. She embraced me and smilingly said—"Dear one, your desires have been accomplished; the beastly fellow is doomed. In order to deceive him, I said to him according to your instructions—"Cunning sir, I will not endow you with beauty; for, handsome to such an extent you will be sought even by the Apsarasas; much more by women: Like a bee, fickle by nature, a treacherous (*or*, cruel) person like you becomes attached to any one without discretion." He, however, fell at my feet, and said—"Fair damsel, excuse me for my evil actions; henceforth, I will not even so much as think of any other woman; so kindly hasten to accomplish the object in hand." So I have now come to you, clad in a bridal dress. I have been already given to you, in the presence of the fire of love, by Cupid, officiating as my father; and I am now once more given over to you by my heart before this holy fire standing as witness to our union." So saying, she placed her tip-toe on my foot, and raising the heels of her feet entwined her creeper-like arms, with the beautiful fingers intertwined, round my neck; and having gracefully bent down my face a little, she raised up her own lotus-like face and kissed me repeatedly, her broad eyes all the while turning about sportively.

Then I left her, saying to her—"Stay here in the thicket of the Kuraṇṭaka shrubs till I go out and successfully accomplish everything." Then I went to the place where the sacrificial fire was burning and shook the bell that was hanging from a branch of an *Asoka* tree, and, summoning the king to that place, it sounded as if like a messenger from Death. I began to throw into the fire sticks of alce and

sandal-wood. and the king also came to the place as was settled before. I said to him, as he stood there full of wonder pondering and hesitating as it were through fear—"Declare again, taking this holy fire to witness, that you will never, when you assume this form, divert yourself with my rivals; and then I shall transfer this figure to you." Then he became quite sure that it was the queen, and no imposition; his confidence returned to him and he proceeded to take an oath. I then smiled, and said—"What need is there of an oath? What woman on earth will dare offend (*or*, insult) me? If you will come to be united with the Apsarasas, do as you desire. Now, then, tell me your secrets, and those being related your natural form will disappear (*lit.* your body will fall)." He replied—"I have in confinement Prahāravarmaṇ, the younger brother of my father. I have plotted with my ministers to put him to death by means of poisoned food, intending to give out that he died of indigestion. I have purposed to give over a portion of my army to my brother Viśālavarmaṇ that he should invade the country of Puṇḍra. Pāñchālīka, an aged citizen, and Paritrāta, a merchant-chief, have told me that they would get from the Yavana, named Khanati, a jewel of inestimable value for a very small price. Śatahālī, the sheriff, and governor of the town, who is my confidant, has already gone, at my instigation, to send away the generals (on some mission), that he might destroy Anantasīra, a wicked and proud landlord who is a habitual liar, by exciting the people of the district against him. These are the secret designs lately planned." Having heard this, I said—"The lease of your life expires here; now meet a fate merited by your actions." With these words I cut him in two with my sword; and as soon as he was cut I offered him as an oblation to the fire into which a great quantity of ghee was poured, and soon he was reduced to ashes. Then cheering my beloved, who with the timidity of her sex was agitated a little, I caught her by her tender hand and went with her to the palace, where summoning, with her permission, all the inmates of the harem, I received their homage. Amusing myself for a time in the midst of the bevy of the astonished damsels, I dismissed them, and embracing my beloved with stout thighs so as to press her firmly with my thighs and arms, passed in her company the night which appeared to be very short. From her lips I learnt the customary practices of the royal house.

Early in the morning I took my bath; and, having performed the usual auspicious rites, I joined my ministers and addressed them thus—"Respectable ministers, with my figure my nature, too, has undergone a change; my uncle, who is to me as my father, and whom I was thinking of putting to death by means of poisoned food, should be liberated and be reinstated on the throne. I will be devoted to his service as to that of my father; there is no other sin more atrocious than that of murdering one's father." I then sent for my brother Viśālavarman and said to him—"Dear brother, the people of the Puṇḍras are not in a prosperous condition at present. So, being overpowered with distress and despair, they might desperately attack our prosperous kingdom. You should, therefore, march against them when there will be time to spoil their seed-corn or ripe harvest; your invasion at the present time, therefore, is not advisable." I also addressed the two old citizens—"I do not wish to get a highly precious jewel for a very small price, that there should be no transgression of righteousness or justice on my part. Let it be bought at the proper price." I sent for the sheriff Śatahali and said—"Why should that Anantasīra, who, as a partisan of Prahāra-varman, was desired to be destroyed, be destroyed now, when my uncle has been restored to his dignity? So you, too, should not proceed actively against him." The ministers, (thus) getting from me all the secrets convincing them (of my identity), came to the conclusion (felt sure) that I was the same (Vikāṭavarman), and full of wonder highly praised me and the queen, loudly proclaimed the unfailing virtue of charms, and getting my parents out of the prison, restored to them their sovereignty. I, through that nurse, made known to them, in secret, all my doings, and then repaired to the feet of them who had reached the highest point of ecstatic joy. I was at once installed the crown prince at the command of my parents. With my mind gratified, I enjoyed pleasures, insipid on account of the grief due to separation from the feet of Your Highness. Coming to know from the letter of Simhavarman, a friend of my father, of the attack on Champā by Chāṇḍavarman, I marched with my large army, swift of foot, thinking that it was my duty to protect the friend as well as to kill the foe, and found myself an object of the treasure of joy of the festival of seeing with my own eyes the glorious feet of Your Highness."

Having heard this, Rájavâhana observed with a smile—"See how even adultery helped by fraud has secured to a considerable extent Dharma and Artha, inasmuch as it served as a means of liberating parents from the calamity of imprisonment, as it was a remedy to put to death an inveterate foe and as it was essential for regaining a kingdom. What is there that does not become commendable when (employed) by the talented?" Then, fixing an affectionate and prolonged glance on Arthapála's face, he desired him to narrate his adventures. When, with folded hands, he began :—

UCHCHHVĀSA IV.

"Lord, I too having, along with these friends, the same mission to perform, wandered over this sea-girt earth and once arrived at Kâshipurî, Vârâṇasî. Having bathed in the waters of the Maṇikarnikâ, pure like a cut gem, I bowed before Avimuktesvara, the destroyer of Andhaka, and in course of walking round the temple keeping it to the right, I saw a very tall man, girding up his loins with his arms massive like a long iron bar, and with his eyes roddish and swollen with incessant weeping. I reflected to myself—"This man is hard; (but) his eyes with their pupils faded (dull) seem to pour as it were misery, and the act he is about is indicative of rashness (*or*, desperation). Surely he, reckless of life, means to do an act of daring (*e.g.* suicide), in consequence of a mishap to some dearly loved person. So I shall ask him if there be any way for me to give help." Then I approached and addressed him—"Brother, this your preparation (*lit.* equipment) betokens some desperate purpose; if it be not a secret, I should like to know the cause of your grief." He looked at me awhile with great respect (for me), and saying—"What harm is there? Hear it," sat down with me under a Karavîra tree and thus related his tale—"Sir, I am the son of the headman of a town, Párapahdra by name, an inhabitant of the Eastern Ishukâma (name of a country;—*or*, given to wandering at will among the eastern districts). Though brought up with care by my father, in obedience to the will of destiny I took to the profession of a thief. Now one day I was caught red-handed, when I had committed a theft in the house of some leading merchant in this city, and was confined in a prison. When I was to be put to

death, a furious elephant, that delighted in killing, Mrityuvijaya by name, let loose upon me by the order of Kāmapāla, the chief minister, who was looking from the terrace of the principal gate of the town, rushed on amidst the clamour of the multitude that doubled the sound of the bells about his neck, curling his trunk (to seize me). I fearlessly encountered the animal, and as he was bending down to strike with the tusk, I violently struck him at the space between the tusks with my arms which were passed through the holes of a log of wood, when he retreated as if in fright. His driver, being exasperated, drove him once more to the encounter, with a profuse use of abuse, heels and goad. Being rebuked and struck by me with my fury doubled, he turned tail and fled. I then approached the driver and censured him violently, when he, full of rage, addressing the elephant in the words—"Woe to you, you are condemned, wretched elephant," struck the animal frequently in the outer corner of the eye with his sharp goad, and somehow pitched him against me. I said—"Let this vermin of an elephant move away, and let some other lordly elephant be brought in, so that I shall sport with him for a time and then meet my doom." As soon as the elephant saw me, shouting through rage, he ran off, disregarding the peremptory order of his driver. The minister then called for me and said, "This elephant, Mrityuvijaya, that delights in killing, is but Death himself; he, too, has been thus discomfited by you. Can you, therefore, desist from this unworthy profession, and make up your mind to follow some honourable course of life by accepting service under me?" I respectfully replied that I would do as I was desired; and he behaved towards me as a friend.

Once, being requested by me, in private, he, feeling confidence in me, narrated to me his own story as follows—"In Kusumapura there was one, Dharmapāla by name, the minister of the King (Rājahansa) the subduer of his foes, who was well-known for his talent and adept in the Vedas. His son named Sumitra was equal to his father in all the qualities of mind. I am his younger brother born of his step-mother. He (Sumitra) who liked virtue tried to check me who was given to sporting in the company of harlots. As my dissoluteness was incapable of being checked, I left home, and while wandering in the regions of the quarter I chanced to come to this Vārāṇasī, where I fell in love with Kāntimatī, the daughter of Ohaṇḍasimha, the King

of Kāśī, as she was playing at ball with her companions in the pleasure-garden, where she had come to worship God Śiva, and somehow got united with her. My secret enjoyment of sport in her apartments resulted in her pregnancy, and she was delivered of a son. Her attendants, apprehensive of the secret being divulged, cast him on the pleasure-hill, giving out to her that he was still-born, whereafter a female mountaineer took him to the cemetery. As she returned along the king's road at night, she was seized by the city-watch, and being threatened, through fear of the severity of the punishment, she disclosed nearly the whole of our secret. She pointed me out as I was sleeping at ease in the grotto in the pleasure-mountain, and by the king's command I was bound fast at midnight with ropes that were available then and there, and was led to the cemetery where I was intended to be killed with the stroke of a sword by a Mātāṅga. But, owing to the force of good fortune, I had the cords that bound me cut off, and snatching the sword (raised to strike me) I dispatched the executioner and others, and made my escape. As I was wandering in the forest without shelter, I was waited upon by some damsel of celestial beauty, having her face suffused with tears, and with materials for worship in her hand. She bowed down before me with her head decked with her sprout-like hands, while her curly hair waved about her face ; and she sat with me under the cool shade of a large wild Vata tree. Being longingly asked by me who she was, whence she came and why she was thus conferring favour upon one like me (a helpless man), she replied in (*lit.* showered upon me) a stream of honied words—"Respectable Sir, I am Tārāvalī, the daughter of Maṇibhadra, the lord of the Yakshas. As I was once returning from the Malaya mountain, after paying my respects to the venerable Lopāmudra, the wife of Agastya, I saw an infant weeping in the charnel-ground at Benares. I felt a great affection for him and taking him up conveyed him to my parents. My father carried him into the royal court of Kubera, the lord of Alakâ. He, the friend of Śiva, called me to him and asked me—"Daughter, what is the disposition of your mind towards this child ?" I replied,—“I feel affection for him as though he were born of me.” Thus told, he said—"The poor girl speaks the truth," and related to us a long narrative in connexion with it. I gathered this much from it—That you were Śaunaka, Sûdraka and Kāmapāla

(being) the same (in different lives); Bandhumatî, Vinayavatî, and Kântimatî are not different, so Vedimatî, A'ryadâsî, and Somadevî are but the same; Hamsâvalî. Śūrasenâ and Sulochanâ are but the same individuals. Nandinî, Raṅgapatâkâ and Indrasenâ are not different from one another. I am born at present as Târa'valî, the same A'ryadâsî, whom, as a milkmaid, you, in your birth as Śaunaka, married in the presence of the sacred fire. We in our previous births as A'ryadâsî and Śûdraka respectively, had a son who was affectionately brought up by Vinayavatî, and who was again born of her now in her birth as Kântimatî. Fortunately I found him who was dropped many a time from the jaws of death, and at the command of Kubera delivered him over to Vasumatî, the queen of Ra'jahansa who is practising penance in a forest, that he may serve her son, Râjava'hana, who is to be the Emperor in future; and by the permission of my elders, I have come to serve the feet of you, escaped from the mouth of Death by the interference of Destiny."

Having heard her account, I again and again embraced her who had been my beloved in several lives, and shedding tears of joy I repeatedly consoled her and enjoyed pleasures, difficult to be obtained on earth, in a grand mansion created by her superhuman power. After having passed two or three days, I said to that beauteous lady—"I wish to enjoy the pleasure of retaliation by doing injury in return to Chanḍasimha, who had aimed at my life." She smilingly replied—"Come on, my dear lord, I shall take you to see Kântimatî." Accordingly, I was transported at midnight to the palace of the King of Kâśî. Then I took up the sword lying near his head, and woke him from his sleep and addressed him, as he was trembling—"Behold your son-in-law, the espouser of your daughter without your consent! Now I have come to wipe away my fault by an act of service (or, by means of an equally desperate act)." Extremely frightened, he bowed down to me and said—"I myself, who did not know my duty, am the offender, since I like one possessed by some evil star, transgressing the bounds of propriety (or, justice), pronounced capital punishment on you who did me the favour of accepting my daughter's hand. So, why talk of Kântimatî? My kingdom and my life are henceforth at your service." The next day he called together his ministers and had the ceremony of our marriage

duly performed. Tārāvalī communicated to Kāntimatī the news about her son, and the account of their former lives to Somadevī, Sulochanā and Indrasenā. Thus under the guise of the ministerial post I enjoy the dignity of a Yuvarāja and sport in the company of amorous damsels. ”

Kāmapāla, the one friend of all, continued to show the same favour to me, an ordinary being as I was ; and when his father-in-law had gone to heaven owing to consumption (*or*, dropsy) he installed on the throne the youngest son of the late king, Siṃhaghoshā, a child five years of age, his elder brother Chandraḡhoshā having been already reduced to premature decay by consumption brought on by his debaucheries ; and the good man brought him up with due attention. The boy, now intoxicated with youth, has some evil counsellors, the insinulators of something wicked, who are his confidants. By them he was persuaded into this belief—“Your sister was obtained by this gallant by force alone ; then again he raised a sword to strike the King, when he was asleep, owing to which he, who immediately woke up, won him over (through fear) by giving him his daughter. He put to death Chandraḡhoshā, the elder brother of Your Majesty, by means of poison, and has as yet spared you as being young and therefore unable to do harm, to gain the confidence of his subjects. He, an ungrateful wretch, will before long destroy Your Majesty also. So try to dispatch him to the capital of Yama.” The prince, though prejudiced, could do no harm to him (Kāmapāla) through fear of the Yakshipī. In these days, as the report goes, the chief queen Sulakṣhaṇā, observing a change in the form of Kāntimatī, politely asked her—“Queen, I should not be imposed upon (by you) by telling a lie. Tell me the truth. On what account is there such a marked change now-a-days on this lotus-like face of yours ?” She replied—“Friend, do you remember me ever to have told a lie ? My friend and fellow-wife Tārāvalī, who was offended for some reason or other, being addressed in private by my name by our lord, disregarded his entreaties, and being far advanced in jealousy, went away in spite of our supplications. Our lord is pining away on her account, and hence my mental affliction.” Sulakṣhaṇā fully reported this to her husband when in private. He (the King), being now free from all

fear, had him seized to-day by men already engaged for the purpose and thrown into pri-on, as he was (all the while) exhibiting his bereavement by means of words not very much pleasing, being parched up as it were by his warm sighs, by his eyes disturbed on account of the flow of tears being restrained with firmness of mind, and by his limbs pale owing to the separation from his beloved, and was somehow getting the affairs of state managed in the palace (by the respective officers). The charges against him are to be publicly promulgated and his eyes are to be put out in such a manner that death will surely ensue." For this reason I gave full vent to my tears in this solitary place, and am now preparing (*it* girding up my loins) to give up my life before the good man (meets his doom)."

Having heard from him the peril in which my father stood, I shedding tears, said to him—"Gentle sir, why should I hide it from you? I am that son of him whom the Yakshini had entrusted to the care of Vasumatî for serving the feet of His Highness, Prince Rajavâhana. I can effect the release of my father even in the teeth of (*it* by putting to death) thousands of warriors with uplifted weapons. But, if some one in the crowd were to let fall his weapon upon him (*i.e.* kill him), all my efforts would be as useless as offering an oblation into ashes." I had hardly finished, when a huge snake raised his head out of a hole in the rampart. I secured him by the power of charms and herbs, and said to Pârṇabhadrâ—"Good morn. now, indeed, our object is gained! I, unseen in the crowd, shall cause my father to be bitten by this (snake) as if it had fallen on him accidentally and will re-train the venom from acting in such away that he (my father) will be treated with indifference (*i.e.* neglected), being considered as dead. You giving up all fear, should then tell my mother—"That son of yours, whom the Yakshini had handed over to Vasumatî in the forest, has arrived; he, having known from me the situation in which his father is, will act thus by the power of his talent. You, dismissing all fear, should send word to the King in this way—"It is, indeed, the duty of a Kshatriya to suppress without any consideration one maliciously disposed may he be his kindred or otherwise. But it is also a woman's duty to share the fate (*it*, to follow the

course) of her husband, may he be good or wicked. I will, therefore, mount the funeral pyre along with him (my husband) ; this last rite should be permitted (by you) so as to be worthy of a young woman." The King, thus informed, will surely assent. You should then take the body (of your husband) to your own house, and cause it to be placed on a bed of *darbhās* in a retired place enclosed with canvas-screens ; and putting on the ornaments proper for (a woman) dying after her husband, you yourself should be present there. i who shall have come to the court-yard, should be given admittance by you ; then I will revive my father ; and thereafter we will all act in a way that will be approved of by him." He, very much pleased at heart, saying that he would act accordingly, immediately set off.

I, climbing a tamarind-tree having abundant thick-grown branches, at the place of proclamation, remained there with my body concealed. The people also mounted high places as they were available, and talks on diverse subjects began. Presently the executioner brought on my father, with his hands bound behind him like a thief, followed by a tumultuous mob, and having stationed him just below me, thrice proclaimed—" Here this minister Kāmapāla is now being taken to have his eyes put out according to the sentence of the judge who deemed it but just that a Brāhmaṇa, greedy of regal power, should be condemned to a perpetual loss of sight, inasmuch as his secret was exposed, out of loyalty, by Śhūṇa and Aṅgāravarsha whom he had secretly instructed for the murder of the King after calling the minister Śivanāga in a retired place to take him into confidence, as he meant evil to the person of the king, Sindhaghosha—now that he had attained majority (full youth)—, when he had already out of a wicked passion for power procured the death of his master Chandraśimha as well as of the heir-apparent Chandraghosha, by means of poisoned food. Should any one be (thus) treacherously disposed (towards the king), he would meet with merited punishment at the hands of the King." Vociferous was the crowd on hearing this, when I let fall the serpent, with its glowing hood, on the body of my father ; I also jumped down, pretending to be seized with terror, and mingling with the crowd just there, ensured the preservation of the life of my father bitten by the angry snake by immediately arresting the operation of the poison. My father dropped down dead to all appearances. I uttered loudly--

“ Indeed, it is true that divine punishment is meted out to one, traitor to the king, since he has been deprived of his life by Fate, while he was but meant to be deprived of his eyes by the King.” Some concurred with me, while others reproached me. The serpent bit the executioner, too, and ran off, the way being quickly cleared for him by the multitude of people that were seized with fright.

Now my mother, apprised of the matter (i.e., the real state of things) by Pārṇabhadra, not much distressed even under such a calamity, courageously hastened to the spot on foot, followed by her attendants, and taking my father's head on her lap, she sat there and sent word to the king—“ Whether this my husband offended against you or not, heaven alone knows; I am to gain nothing by thinking about that. But if I do not take to the path (course) of him who had taken my hand (at the sacred marriage-rite), I shall be disgracing your family. You will, therefore, kindly give me permission to ascend the funeral pile along with my husband, ” The king was pleased to hear this, and issued an order—“ Let the rites proper for a (noble) family be performed; and let my brother-in-law have his obsequial rites performed, distinguished by festivities. ” The King, in order to manifest (or, proclaim) the greatness of his mind, further permitted the body of Kāmapāla to be taken to his house, thinking that he too was dead, as the executioner had lost his life, the efforts of the snake-bite-curers being rendered inoperative by me. My father, who was taken home, was placed on a bed of *darbhās* in a retired place. Thereafter my mother, having put on the decorations suited to death (by mounting the funeral pyre), took leave of her friends in piteous terms, bowed again and again before the family-gods, and having prevented with efforts her attendants from weeping, entered, all alone, the place where my father lay. There she saw her lord restored to animation (i.e., cured of the poison) by me who had become for the nonce the very Garuḍa and who had been previously admitted by Pārṇabhadra as agreed upon. Exceedingly delighted, she fell repeatedly at her husband's feet with tears of joy, embraced me again and again with oozing breasts, and addressed me, her throat being choked with tears of joy and sobs,—“ Son why are you so kind to me who had been exceedingly cruel to you, since by me, a wicked woman, you were cast away the moment you were born? Or rather, this your father was in no way an offender, and hence well did he deserve to be snatched away from the jaws of death. Very wicked is

Tārāvalī, indeed, since, after having learnt from Kulera who you really were, instead of giving you over to me she handed you over to queen Vasumati. Or why, she did but what was quite proper; for, a person poor in merit like myself cannot be worthy of drinking in the nectar of your sweet words, except a treasure of good fortune like her (Vasumati). Come on, my son, embrace me!" So saying, she again and again smelt me on the head, placed me on her lap, censured Tārāvalī, embraced me shedding a shower of joyful tears on me, and with a trembling frame looked for a moment quite changed. My father, too, thus raised to prosperity (*or*, good fortune) of that kind, from that sort of (overwhelming) calamity, as if to heaven from hell, and fully informed of everything as it had happened by Pūrṇabhadra, considered himself more fortunate than even the divine Indra. Having slightly indicated my part in the matter to my parents who were overjoyed and astonished (at it,) I asked them to tell me what course we should have to adopt that day. My father then said—"My son, this our house itself is protected by a mighty rampart and has an inexhaustible armoury, while the defence is impregnable. There are many subordinate princes whom I have laid under obligation; and many of the subjects do not like to see the calamity I am in. Besides there are thousands of warriors who are devoted to me with their friends and relatives. We shall therefore, pass some days here and foment disturbances (*or*, disaffection) outside and inside (the kingdom). We shall then secure (take over to our side) the disaffected, encourage the King's neighbouring foes, incite his natural enemies, and then uproot this King who is difficult to subdue."—"Let this plan be followed; what harm is there?"—with these words I approved of my father's opinion.

Whilst we, having taken defensive measures, were roiding our opportunity, the King, who was informed of the whole matter, was vexed, and employed hostile stratagems against us (as against people besieged); but they were every day counteracted by us. During this interval, having learnt from Pūrṇabhadra the place (situation) of the chamber where the King slept, I made a subterranean passage to it with a hood-shaped instrument, beginning at the angle of the wall of our house. The excavation (*or*, the passage) reached a certain spot which looked almost like a paradise on earth, wherein there were not a small number of

beautiful damsels. At my very site the multitude got agitated. There a certain maiden, whose bodily complexion was as bright as an image of burnished gold :—who was entirely dispelling the darkness of the subterranean spot with her bodily lustre like the digit of the moon ; who looked as if she were the earth incarnate, or the goddess Durgá (*lit.* the wife of Ś'iva) descended into the nether regions for the conquest of the demons, or (Rati) the wife of Cupid (*lit.* the flower-armed god), come down to the Pátála, or the goddess of royalty that had entered the cavern in order to avoid the sight of iniquitous monarchs, trembled at the sight of me, like a branch of the sandal-tree shaken by the Malaya breeze. In that assembly of damsels thus disturbed, there was an old woman, looking with her white hair like a Kása tree in blossom, who fell at my feet, and through fear humbly said to me—" Sir, give the gift of safety to these damsels who have none else to protect them ! May it be that you are a young god desirous of entering this nether world with a thirst for fighting with the demons ? Tell us who you are, and with what object you have come to this place." I replied to her—" Fair maids, requish all your fears ; I am Arthapála, the son of Kántimatī and Kámapala, the best of Bráhmaṇas : i saw you here on my way as I was going from my house to the King's palace through this subterranean passage, as I had an object to accomplish (there). Tell me who you are, and why you dwell here." With folded hands raised to her forehead she replied—" Son of our lord, fortunate, indeed, are we that we see you all safe, with our own eyes. Be pleased to listen —That Chanḍasimha, who was your grandfather (on your mother's side), had by his queen Lílávati two children, Kántimatī and the prince Chanḍaghosha. Prince Chanḍaghosha, the heir-apparent, departed to heaven through consumption brought on by his excessive addiction to women, leaving his wife A'cháravatī pregnant. She gave birth to this daughter, Maṇikarniká, by name. Thereafter A'cháravatī died of the throes of labour. Upon this king Chanḍasimha called me and said to me in private—" Riddhimatī, this girl possesses auspicious signs. I wish to rear her up properly and then give her in marriage to Darpaśára, the son of the King of Málwá. But, since the occurrence of the events in connexion with Kántimatī, I fear to keep girls exposed to public sight. So let her be brought up, attended upon by a train of retinue, in the spacious underground mansion constructed as an asylum for protection against calamity from an enemy, which is furnished with a number of

arbours and drawing-rooms carved out in the interior of an artificial hill. It is provided with stores which will not be exhausted even in a hundred years." Having said so, he raised a stone-covering, as large as a square hand (a trap-door), about two inches deep in the wall of his chamber, and by that door introduced us into this place. It is for the last twelve years that we have been dwelling here. This princess has now become young, but the King does not yet remember us. Granted that she was meant to be given in marriage to Darpaśāra by her grandfather, but by her mother she was meant as a wife for you, being won as a pledge (by your mother Kāntimatī) in gambling (with her mother), even when she was in the womb. So in this case the prince (i.e. you) should decide what is best to be done." I said to her—"I will do what is proper to be done for you when I come back from the palace, having accomplished some business there." I went through that very subterranean passage shown to me by means of a lamp at midnight, opened the trap-door, and having entered the King's chamber, caught alive Śimhaghosha who had slept in full confidence. Having pulled him who was struggling, as an eagle does a snake, I dragged him off to the multitude of damsels through the underground passage. I then took him to my house, and with his feet bound with iron fetters presented him, whose gloomy face was hung down and wherein the eyes were red owing to an excessive flow of tears, before my parents in private. I told them also the story about the subterranean passage. My parents, who were exceedingly pleased, saw that mean-hearted wretch, detained him in confinement, and married that beautiful damsel to me with due rites. The kingdom, now without a master, fell into our hands. Śimhaghosha, though my mother wished it much, was not set at liberty for fear of a revolt. We, thus situated, hastened to the assistance of Śimhavarmā the king of Aṅga, who was attacked by the enemy, as he was loyal and had rendered service to Your Majesty. And thus I became the object of favour of the pollen of the lotuses of your feet. Let the unworthy Śimhaghosha perform the penance of falling at your feet that will wipe away (the infamy of) all of his wicked acts." So said Arthapāla, and bowed before the prince with folded hands. Prince Rājavāhana said that he (Arthapāla) had performed great exploits, that he had used his intellect to the utmost, and desired that his father-in-law (Śimhaghosha) should present himself before him (the Prince Rājavāhana) being set free from confinement; and then, looking at Pramati himself, asked him with a loving smile to narrate his adventures.

UCHCHHVA SA V.

Bowing low before the Prince, he began—" Lord, after having wandered some time in search of Your Highness, I, being unable to proceed, formed my bed with tender leaves on the ground, under a tree, that grew on the slope of the Vindhya mountain, and that seemed to touch the sky (*or*, pierce the clouds), after having washed my face in the water of a pond and performed Samdhyâ-adorations, at the time when the face of the lady in the form of the western quarter was decked with the crimson sprouts of the setting rays of the sun, and the irregularities (*lit.* the ups and downs) of the road were levelled by the gloom; and when about to sleep, I raised my folded hands to my forehead, and praying—" May the very deity that resides in (*i.e.* is the presiding soul of) this tree be the protector of me, when gone to sleep all alone in this great forest, which is terrible on account of the number of ferocious animals stalking about and wherein the caverns are filled with the flood of nocturnal darkness which is pitchy dark like the throat of Śiva! "--I slept, using my left hand as a pillow. Then in an instant my limbs were inexpressibly gratified by a touch difficult to be obtained on the surface of the earth; my senses thrilled with delight; my soul felt quite cheered up; and more particularly my hair bristled with joy, and my right arm throbbed. Wondering how this could be, I very slowly opened my eyes, and beheld a canopy of white cloth looking like a portion of moonlight cut off. As I turned my eyes to the left, I saw, near the wall of a mansion, a number of damsels lying asleep in great confidence on beds with variegated bed-sheets. Then I directed my gaze to the right, where I behold a lovely maiden, as graceful as a jewelled branch of (*or*, a creeper clinging to) a Kalpavriksha (the wish-granting tree) in Indra's garden rent from it by Airāvata in the pride of youthful vigour, with her lovely face bowed in sleep wherein the lilies of her eyes were closed and which therefore looked like a lotus with a bee slept within it; as she lay on a couch which was white like the mass of nectar-foam with her breast garment a little displaced, she looked like the earth reclining, in faint, on the bright back of the Primeval Boar (A'divarāṇa), whilst the fine upper-garment in the form of the milky ocean receded from her shoulders; by the breezes of her breath wafting the fragrance of the lotus of her face and causing to dance the tender sprouts in the form of the

beaming off-shoots of her red lips, she seemed to kindle to life Cupid, remaining as a spark after he was burnt by the fire from the eye of S'iva. I then thought—"Where is that vast forest gone and what building is this with the image of Kārttikeya situated on the ground floor and a trident forming its spire which touches (*lit.* rubs against) the (inner surface of the) sky! Where is that leafy bed spread on the forest ground and whence comes this silken bed stuffed with downy feathers (instead), bright like a multitude of moon-beams? Who again can these maidens be who are lying asleep at ease, like a bevy of nymphs in faint, being tossed down from the swing formed of the ropes of moon-beams, and who is this damsel lying on a bed covered with a silk mantle pure (white) like the orb of the autumnal moon, like the Goddess Lakshmi, that has a lotus in her hand? Certainly, she cannot be a heavenly damsel; for she has closed her eyes in sleep like the lotus when acted upon by the rays of the moon; her expansive cheek, bearing lines of the drops of perspiration appearing upon it, appears like a mango-fruit yellowish-white by being ripe and spotted with drops of sap dropping from the broken stem; the unguent assumes a palish hue on her expansive breasts exceedingly hot on account of the fire of budding youth; and her raiments disclose a dustiness according as they have been used. So she is undoubtedly a mortal. Fortunately, she is unmarried (*lit.* her youth is unenjoyed by anyone else), since her limbs that have attained loveliness are well-turned and firm; her complexion, though exceedingly charming, is tinged with pallor; her face, being yet unused to the pleasing pain of teeth-bites, does not betray a glowing red; her ruby-like lower lip possesses the lustre of coral; her blooming cheeks are like the petals of a Champaka bud, a little reddish at the root and not yet fully developed;—since also she is lying asleep in sweetened ease free from the fear of being assailed by the arrows of Cupid, and her bosom has its twin breasts such as have not their nipples flattened by being hard pressed. My mind, which has never as yet entertained a thought unworthy of an honourable man (*or*, contrary to propriety), seems to be full of love for her. But, if I embrace her, acting in accordance with the inspiration of love, surely she will wake up with a loud cry of alarm; and yet I cannot sleep without embracing her. Never mind; let things have their due course. I shall put to test my

luck." So saying, I slightly touched her and lay there as if asleep, in a manner in which love and fear were mingled. She, too, with her left side experiencing a peculiarly pleasing and thrilling sensation causing the hair to stand on end, in her pleasing dullness began gently to yawn, and slightly opened her pair of eyes, with the tips of their eyelids trembling, their pupils languid through dullness, and their highly beautiful corners reddened on account of broken sleep. Made to pass by Cupid, of wonderful power, through strange conditions intermixed with the feelings of alarm, wonder, joy, passion, fear and graceful and sportive gestures, and influenced by modesty, she with difficulty restrained her speech about to break out into a call to her attendants, her heart which was swayed by vehement love, and her limbs, too, full of perspiration due to alarm; and surveying carefully my limbs with eager eyes charmingly contracted at the corners (*or*, in the third part) and very slowly directed, she, although far removing the upper part of her body, lay startled, in the same bed. I, too, though my mind was upset by passion, was somehow mysteriously overpowered by sleep, and again awoke, disturbed by some disagreeable touch, and found myself again in the same forest under the same tree and on the same leafy bed. Night, too, drew to a close; and I thought in my mind—"Is this a dream, or some illusion, or some conjuration, divine or demoniacal? Come what may; I will not leave my earthy bed without knowing what this really is. I will lie down here as long as life exists, before the Goddess of this spot, without food, till death (to gain my object)."

Upon this (*i. e.* when I had formed this determination), a certain woman appeared (before me). Her frame was languid like a garland of lotuses scorched by the rays of the sun; her lower and upper garments were worn out; by her lip that was dry and pale-red owing to the want of red lac, and the lustre of which was destroyed by the heat of her breathings, she seemed to emit the fire of separation dusky with its tawny fumes; both her eyes were extremely red as if blood only was left in them on account of their having shed ceaseless streams of tears; with her beautiful tresses reduced to a single braid of hair, that had the grace of a noose holding her fast to the virtuous conduct of her family she, wearing a blue garment and a bodice, looked like the moving banner of chaste ladies; and though she was greatly emaciated,

her bright (*lit.* spreading) complexion had not much faded, owing to her superhuman power. She raised me up with her creeper-like arms trembling in the height of joy as I bowed before her, embraced me like a son, smelt me on my head, and with her affection for me appearing to ooze out in the form of milk from her breasts and her throat choked with cold tears, she said—"My dear child, if Vasumatî, the queen of the king of the Magadhas, (at all) informed you that the daughter of Mañibhadra having entrusted the infant Arthapâla to her care disappeared after having communicated to her the tale as disclosed by Kubera regarding her lord, sons and friends, behold in me that person, your mother! My mind being clouded by causeless anger against your father, Kâmapâla, the son of Dharmapâla and the younger brother of Sumitra, I quitted him; and while I was afflicted by remorse I was cursed in a dream by some one coming to me in the form of a Rakshasa, saying—"I take up my abode in you, O violent woman, for a year, that you may experience the pangs of separation." I awoke, possessed by the evil spirit just as he spoke this. That year, as long as a thousand years, has expired. Last night just as I started, purposing to attend, in the city of Śrāvastî, the assembly gathered at the festival of lord Tryambaka, after seeing my kinsmen thronged there from different places to repair to the side of my lord, now that I was free from the curse, you came here and saying—"I solicit the protection of the dryad of the place," slept here. As my mind was entirely overpowered by the pain caused by the curse, I did not properly recognize you; but then, thinking that it was not proper to abandon you who had sought my protection in the great forest beset with many terrors, I transported you, too, while just in sleep, with me. As we neared the temple I thought it improper to attend the meeting with you; and, as I found by chance the princess Navamâlikâ, the daughter of Dharmavardhana, the King of Śrāvastî, bearing a name true to its syllables, lying fast asleep on a splendid couch on the lofty terrace of her mansion, so pleasant in summer, I said to myself—"Thank God! The princess is asleep; her servants also are buried in sleep. Let this young Brâhmaṇa sleep here for a time, till I return after gratifying myself with the sight of the festival." Having thus reflected I placed you there and directed my steps to the place of the festival. Having witnessed the glorious festival and enjoyed

the pleasure of the sight of my kinsmen, I bowed to the lord of the three worlds and was bent in reverence, with my mind rapt in devotion, dreading all the while lest she should divine my crime, before Ambikâ, when that goddess, the daughter of Himâlâya, said to me with a smile—"O dear girl, give up your fear; go to your husband's presence; your curse is over." Thus favoured, I at once regained my superhuman power; and, returning, at your very sight I know you properly." "How now," I said, he is my son (so to speak) Pramati, the dear friend of my dear son Arthapâla! I, wicked that I was, acted indifferently towards him through ignorance! Moreover, his mind it attached to the princess and she also loves this young man; but the two, who are feigning sleep, do not open their hearts (feelings) to each other owing to fear and modesty; and I have to go. The damsel, though overpowered by love, has not spoken about it to her friends or attendants in order to keep her secret. Let me take away the young man; he will accomplish his purpose by suitable means when he will come to know of it." Thinking thus, I brought you again to this leafy bed in a sleepy condition induced by my superhuman power. This is how all this happened. Here I go to the feet of your father." With these words she again and again embraced me who had folded my hands, smelt me on my head, kissed me on my cheeks, and departed, deeply moved with affection for me.

I, entirely subdued by love, directed my steps to Śrāvastî; on the road in a great market-place the merchants were in a very great uproar over a cock-fight. I approached the place and smiled a little. An old wily Brâhmana seated near me gently asked me the reason of my smile. I said to him—"How comes this, that a cock of the Western country and of the Balâkâ breed is thus thoughtlessly matched by the people against one belonging to the eastern country and of the cocoanut tribe, its superior in strength and size!" He, too, an adept in the matter, said—"What is the use of enlightening these ignorant folks on this subject? So better be silent." And having offered me betel with camphor from his betel-case, he remained for a short while telling me diverse tales. The two birds fought, furiously excited, as the shouts of encouragement were uttered by their partisans after each stroke. The cock of the Western country was beaten,

and the clever Bráhmaṇa, highly delighted at the victory of the cock belonging to his province, made friends with me, contrary to our ages, and made me take my bath and meals at his place that day. The next day, as I set out for Śrávastî, he followed me, and asking me not to forget him if there was need, dismissed me like a friend and went back.

I reached Śrávastî, and being fatigued by the journey lay asleep in a bower of creepers in an outer garden. Roused by the tinklings of anklets, I rose up and beheld a young woman coming to me with feet resounding with the jinglings of anklets. She came, and alternately looking intently at me and at the form of a male resembling me painted on a canvas in her hand, stood there for a moment full of wonder, surmises and joy. I, seeing my own likeness on the canvas, thought that the motions of her eyes could not have been accidental (i. e. were based on some motive), and said to her—"Oh, surely this charming site of the holy grove is common to all! Why do you suffer the trouble of standing for a long time? Please sit down." Thus addressed she smiled, and saying that it was a favour, sat down. Then we had some conversation regarding the affairs of the country. While engaged in conversation she remarked—"Ah! You are a guest coming from the country; and your limbs look as if wearied by the journey. If there be no objection, you should oblige me by resting at my house." I replied—"Charming lady, this is no cause for dissatisfaction, but a favour;" and I followed her home, where I was treated with such princely comforts as a bath, food and the like. While sitting at ease, she asked me—"Noble one, was there anything marvellous that you came across in your travels in the different lands?" I thought to myself—"Here is great scope for my hope. This is, indeed, the friend of the princess, who was well seen in the midst of the crowd of all her attendants. On this picture-board also there is the terrace overhung with a white canopy; also the spacious couch lying therein, yellowish-white like the multitude of autumnal clouds; and this likeness lying on it with eyes sealed in sleep, is also of me alone. Surely, then, the princess must have been brought by Cupid to that stage, wherein, being tormented and rendered delirious by the unbearable

fever of love, she must have given an adequate reply, by skilfully drawing this form alone, to her friends when insistently asked by them the cause of her affliction. I am asked by her, being in suspicion on account of the agreement (resemblance) of forms; I will, therefore, dispel her doubts, stating my experience." Thus resolved I asked for the picture-board, and she handed it over to me. I took it; and having painted the beloved of my heart, overpowered by the passion of love rising in her and lying in a feigned sleep just in the same place, I said—"As I slept once in a large forest I saw a certain damsel of this form lying by the side of a youth like this (picture). May it be a dream?" She was extremely delighted, and begged me to explain the whole; and I did so. She then related to me the various sufferings of her friend on my account. On hearing that I persuaded her, saying—"If your friend's mind is really disposed to favour me, let some days pass. I will arrange some plan, which will enable me to remain freely in the palace of the princess, and approach you;" and then, going to the same village, I joined the company of the old Bráhmaṇa.

With a hasty (i.e. warm) reception he asked me to take rest, gave me food and drink as before, and then asked me in private,—“Noble one, what is the reason of your coming back so soon?” I said to him in reply—“It is but proper that I have been thus questioned by your honour. Listen: There is a town named Śrāvastī. Its ruler is a king named Dharmavardhana, who is like another son of Dharma (Dharmarāja). He has a daughter, who is as if a repeller of even the Goddess of Beauty, and the very life of Cupid, Navamālikā by name, who by her tenderness resembles the *Navamālikā* creeper. I accidentally saw her, and she directed her glances like so many arrows of love at the vital parts of my body. And since there is no other physician than you, like Dhavantari, able to take out those darts, I have come to you. Be kind, therefore, and find out some remedy. Here I shall put on female apparel and profess to be your daughter. I shall follow you, and you should go to Dharmavardhana, when sitting in the judgement-hall, and say to him—“This is my only daughter. Her mother died as soon as she was born, and I myself, acting as father and mother to her, have brought her up. A certain Bráhmaṇa youth, born in a

family fit for marriage-connexion with us, has gone to Ujjayini, the capital of Avanti, to acquire wealth in the form of learning for securing her hand. She being betrothed to him, it is not proper to give her away to anyone else. She has now attained youth, and he is delaying. I shall, therefore, bring him and marry her to him, and after having placed the burden (of family) on him, I will turn a recluse. Since it is difficult to guard daughters that have passed the stage of girlhood, and more particularly those that have no mother, I have come to Your Majesty here, standing in the place of mother and father to the subjects and the protector of the distressed. If Your Majesty, whose career is as noble and exalted as that of Manu, be pleased to favour me, a helpless Bráhmaṇa* coming to you of his own will (*lit.* as a guest), may this (my daughter) here be allowed to repose, in the shadow of your arms, with her character unblemished, until I should return with the bridegroom." The king, thus addressed, will surely approve of it and will make me stay with his daughter (as a companion). Then you should depart, and in the ensuing month of Phālgūna at the time of the festival of holy pilgrimage—on the day of the Uttarāphalgunī—of the inmates of the female apartment, await me, with a pair of white garments in your hand, in the temple of Kārttikeya, which you will find in the midst of a clump of cane-plants after going over a distance covered by the bellowing of a bull to the east of the bathing-place. I shall, indeed, on my part divert myself freely during that interval with the princess, and again sporting in the waters of the Ganges during the festival, will dive, while the multitude of the damsels will be engaged deeply in sport, and swim over up to you; and wearing the garments brought by you, I shall come with you as your intended son-in-law. The princess, on her part, will search for me here and there, and not finding me will remain in the palace, weeping, saying that she would not take food without me. In the midst of a scene of uproar consequent on this, the attendants crying out, her female friends lamenting my loss, and the citizens expressing their sorrow, and the king and his ministers at a loss to know what to do, you should take me to the royal assembly, and placing me before the king, should say—"Sire, here is my son-in-law, who is fit to serve your royal arms. He has studied the four

Vedas, has mastered the six *Aṅgas*, has a thorough knowledge of logic, and is an expert in the manipulation of the sixty-four arts; he is a specialist in the art of managing elephants, chariots and horses; he is a matchless expert in archery and mace-fight: he knows the *Purāṇas* and *Itihāsas* and is a composer of poems, dramas and tales. He knows both the *Mīmāṃsā*, is an impartial appreciator of merits, a reliable friend, has a sweet address, is munificent, learned, and free from pride. I see not even the slightest fault in him; nor do I see an virtue which he does not possess. Such a relative is, in fact, inaccessible to me, merely a *Brāhmaṇa* in name. Having given over my daughter to him, I shall take to the last stage of life fit for old age, if it so pleases Your Majesty." Having heard this, the king, his face 'overcast' by paleness, and entirely perplexed, will try, in the company of the ministers, to console you by dwelling upon the transitoriness of worldly things. You should turn a deaf ear to all that they will say, and after lamenting long with sobs till your throat is parched, collect fagots, and kindling a fire before the palace-gate prepare for ascending the funeral pile. He will just then fall at your feet, and having gratified you with an unstinted gift of wealth, will give his daughter to me, and being fully satisfied with my abilities will place the whole administration into my hands. This plan is to be adopted, if you approve of it." That clever *Pāñchālāsarmā*, too, the prince of cunning accomplices, who had more than once practised all kinds of deceit, skilfully achieved everything according to my instructions, and yet more; and all my desires were fulfilled in a short time. I enjoyed the company of *Navamālikā*, as a bee does a juicy flower. At this time, thinking that I should be serving the double purpose of giving assistance to *Simhavarmā* and of reaching the place of meeting of my friends, I advanced with the whole mass of the army to *Chāmpā*, and now enjoy through good luck the pleasure of the sight of Your Majesty."

Having heard this account of *Pramati*, *Rājavāhana*, with the lotus of his face beaming with a smile, said—"Exploits full of graceful sports, and actions tempered down by gentleness—this, indeed, will appeal to the taste of the learned. You may now enter (the course of narration)" Saying so, the prince fixed his eyes on *Mitrāgupta*.

UHCCHIVĀSA VI.

Mitragupta, on his part, said—"Lord, whilst wandering with the same object as my companions, I came to a city in Suhma, called Dāmalipta, where in the suburban grove I observed a crowd collected in observance of some festival. There I also saw, in a bower of Atimukta creepers, a young man full of longing (*or*, anxious thoughts) diverting himself by playing on a lute. I asked him—"Good man, what festival is this, what is the occasion for it, and why are you sitting here in a solitary place like one affected by longing, with nothing but your lute with you, disregarding the festival?" He replied—"Gentle sir, Tuṅga-dhanvā, the king of Suhma, who had no progeny, solicited, it is said, by prayers, from Vindhya-vāsinī (the goddess Durgā), living in this very temple having forgotten her passion for a residence on Vindhya, two children. The goddess said to him in a dream as he slept before her without food—"You will get one son and one daughter; the former will be dependent on the husband of the latter. Let the girl, from the age of seven until her marriage, worship me every month on the Kṛittikā day by playing at ball in public, that she might obtain a suitable husband; also, let her be given over to whomsoever she chooses, and let the festival be called Kandukotsava." Then, after a short time, Medinī, the beloved queen of the king, gave birth to a son; and after him, a daughter, too, was born. That princess, named Kandukāvati, will come out to-day to propitiate the goddess Somā-pidā with her play at ball. Her foster-sister and friend, Chandrasenā, was my beloved. But she has been wooed against her will (*or*, forcibly detained) in these days by the prince Bhîmadhanvā. Being therefore uneasy and afflicted in mind owing to the pain caused by the points of Cupid's arrows, I resort to this solitude, comforting myself to some extent by means of the sweet tunes of this Vînâ."

Just at that moment the tinkling of anklets was suddenly heard, and there entered a female. Just as the youth beheld her, he rose up with his eyes expanded in joy, embraced her, and lightly clasped by her (in return), he sat down just there. He then addressed me thus—"Here is she whom I regard as my life, and whose separation burns me like fire. In carrying away this very life of me, the prince has, like Death, deprived me of the warmth of life; nor can I do him any harm, as he is the king's son. So, having made her take a full view

of me, I will give up this helpless life (*or*, which cannot offer any resistance to the violence of the prince)." Here she, with her face suffused with tears, said—"Lord, do not take this rash step, for my sake; for, if I were to live after you are dead,—you who, born of Arthadāsa, the best of merchants, having been agreeably named Kośadāsa by your elders, are now described by your enemies as Veśadāsa (the slave of a harlot, owing to your excessive attachment to me).—I may be simply confirming the scandal that the courtesan class as a whole is very wicked. So please take me off this very day to the country you like." He then inquired of me which of the various countries that I had seen was prosperous, rich in corn, and mostly peopled by good men. With a smile I replied,—“Gentle sir, this earth (*lit.* that has the ocean for its waist-garment) is very extensive, and there is no end of (*or*, limit to) pleasant regions (to be found) in different places. However, if I can devise no remedy that might enable you to live here in happiness, then I shall myself show you the way.” Just then, the tinklings of jewelled anklets were distinctly heard, and the damsel, being in a hurry, said to us—"Here has approached the princess Kandukāvati in order to propitiate the goddess Vindhyavāsini (Durgā) with her ball-sport. In this Kanduka-festival she can be freely seen by all. Come along to behold her; let your sight have its fruit; I must go and be by her side;" and then she departed. We two followed her; and I beheld first the red-lipped (damsel) seated on a jewelled seat. The moment I saw her she stood in (*i.e.* captivated) my heart, and neither any one else nor I could see her in the interval (of her leaving her seat and entering my heart). Overcome with wonder, I thought--“What, is she Lakshmi herself? No, no; for Lakshmi has a lotus placed in her hand, while the very hand of this damsel is a lotus; besides, Lakshmi was enjoyed by the Primeval Purusha (Vishnu) as well as by former kings, while the youth of this (maiden) is fresh and untainted.” While I was thinking thus, that princess of perfect limbs, touched the earth with the tips of her tender hand turned downwards, gracefully bowed before the goddess while her dark and curly hair waved, and then took the ball spotted deep-red all about, like Cupid with eyes glowing with intense passion. She let it fall to the ground in gentle grace, and as it slowly rose up beat it down with her tender hand

having the thumb drawn in a little and the delicate fingers stretched out, and after having tossed it up with the back part of her hand, caught it aloft as it was falling, marked by her unsteady glances, like a bunch of flowers full of swarms of bees, and again let it fall down. Striking it with greater or less force as it slackened in its speed or otherwise, she showed her aptitude for the motion of the ball : and when it stopped, she tossed it up with blows struck without mercy and made it come to a standstill as well : (occasionally) she kept it fluttering in space like a bird, hitting it alternately with her right or left hand as it approached her obliquely or in a straight line ; when it rose to a great height, she struck it in its rapid descent and took the musical leap" (i. e. sprang forward ten steps to catch it) ; having sent the ball in all directions, she brought it back to its original point. Thus, sporting in a manner attractive on account of the various feats of dexterity, she won every now and then the loud and manifold applause of persons gathered in the pavilion, having their minds attracted by the play. As I stood facing her, with my cheeks thrilling, and eyes expanded through joy, leaning on the shoulder of Kośadāsa, in whom my confidence grew the very moment, she cast a side-glance at me under the influence of love that affected her for the first time then, with her eyebrows gracefully contracted in consequence of her eyes following the motion of the ball, and repelled the bees that were hovering about to inhale (i. e. enjoy) the sweet fragrance of the lotus of her face with multitudes of rays offshooting from her lips and waved about by the force of her breathings as if with tender sprouts. As she moved about in circles on account of the ball being whirled round with extreme speed, she seemed to enter, as if abashed at the sight of me, a flowery cage ; when giving five strokes to the ball (rapidly) so as to make it appear like five specks, she appeared to repel as it were, through fear, all the five arrows of Cupid all falling upon her at one and the same time, and in the course of her forked movements, strongly indicating the graces of love, she seemed to imitate the flashes of lightning that displays the play of its redness in the clouds. Thus the princess pursued the sport in various ways, now sitting, now rising, now contracting her form, now out-stretching it, now standing still, now darting forward, in a manner in which

the jewels in her ornaments jingled in consonance with the movements of her feet; her *bimba*-like lower lip was invested with (*lit.* bathed in) the lustre of a smile under some pretext or another; her luxuriant tresses that hung loosely about her shoulders were set right again, and her jewelled waist-band jingled (as its bells struck against each other); in a manner bright (or beautiful) with the fluttering silken garment that hung on her broad posteriors that rose up in a beautiful elevation; in which the ball was gracefully struck by her tender arms now drawn in, now stretched out, and now tossed about; her long arms were converged; and her waving ringlets touched her shoulder-blade as it was turned round; in which the displaced gold sockets of her ear-ornaments were put back with a quickness that did not interrupt her ball-sport that was going on; in which the ball was whirled in circles round and within the space of the hands and feet lifted up; wherein the slender middle part of her body was seen and again lost to view owing to her bending down and rising up in quick succession, and her pearl-necklace was tossed about as she frisked up and down; in which the gentle breeze from the sprout used as ear-ornament was authorized (as it were) to dry up the leafy ornamental decorations on her cheeks soiled (by being wetted) by the rising drops of perspiration; and in which one of her tender hands was busy in holding up the garment that (now and then) slipped off from her protuberant breasts. Having struck the ball through the space between heaven and earth, she, though playing with one ball, displayed various attractive pastimes as it were with balls more than one. Then, having sported with her companions, Chandrasenâ and others, and having bowed to the Goddess at the close of her play, she repaired to her residence, followed by my mind full of love, and her attendants full of affection for her, darting at me as she passed a sidelong glance as though it were the blue lotus-shaft of the flower-arrowed God, and appearing to see, as she often reverted, under some pretext or other, the full orb of the moon of her face, if her heart that she had sent towards me had returned or not.

I, who was quite beside myself with love, was splendidly entertained by Kos'adâsa after going home, with special care, with bath, food &c. In the evening Chandrasenâ approached us in private, and having saluted me, sat down, touching closely her lover's shoulder with her own in a manner charming on

account of love. Kośadāsa said in joy—"May I thus be, O long-eyed one, the object of your favour for the whole of my life?" I smiled and said,—“Friend, do you suppose that this is merely to be hoped for (and not to be realized)? There is a kind of unguent; the prince, when approached by her having her eyes besmeared with that, will see her like a female monkey; and he will in consequence renounce his love and leave her.” She replied with a smile—"Your humble servant is greatly favoured by your honour, if in this life she will be converted into an ape, her human form being removed! But let alone this remedy for the present; for we can gain our object even in another way. To-day the princess, having seen you at the ball-festival, is being greatly tormented by the foe of Śambara (i.e. Cupid) as if in a rage as she has been yearning for you who laugh at the form of Cupid. This fact will be communicated by me, who have known her feelings, to my mother, by her to her mother, and by the queen to the king. The king, on knowing the fact, will make you accept his daughter's hand, and the prince will then become your dependant; for such is the course of events ordained by the Goddess. When the kingdom passes into your possession, Bhīmadhanvā will no longer be able to detain me in defiance of you. So he (Kośadāsa) should therefore wait for three or four days.” Having said so, she embraced her lover and went away. Night somehow passed away while Kośadāsa and I held discussion with many misgivings on what she had told. In the morning, after performing my morning devotions, I went to the very region of the grove, charming to me on account of my having seen my beloved there. At the very place the prince approached me; he passed some time (with me), humbly ministering to my pleasure by agreeable talks; and then, taking me to his tent, treated me exactly like himself with such comforts as a bath, food, a bed to sleep on, and so forth. As I lay on my bed enjoying in a dream the pleasure of the embrace of my beloved, the prince got me chained in iron fetters with my stout and long arms pinioned by very sturdy men. When I woke up, the prince at once addressed me—"O wicked man, the speech of that hussy, Chandrasenā, escaping through the hole of the lattice, was overheard by this hunch-back, appointed by me to watch her movements. So, indeed, you are the object of love of that wretched Kandukāvati, and it is said that I am to be your servant, and obeying your orders I am to give

over Chandrasenā to Kośadāsa." Having uttered these words he turned to an attendant and said, "Cast him into the sea." Overjoyed (with the favour of his master) as though he had acquired a kingdom, he did as he was bid. Being quite helpless, I, dashing about here and there with my arms, held to my bosom a piece of timber sent by destiny (to my aid), and floated about till the whole day and night passed away. Early in the morning a ship was sighted; in it there were Yavanas. They picked me up and said to their commander, named Rāmeshu—"Here is found in water a man chained in iron fetters; he is likely to be able to water a thousand vines in an instant." Just at that moment a warship (galley) surrounded by a number of vessels bore down upon us, and the Yavanas were alarmed. In the meantime, ships sailing with very great speed surrounded our ship, like fleet hounds rushing upon a boar; a fight ensued, and the Yavanas were defeated. (Having cheered) them up who had become helpless and were losing courage, I said—"Take off my chains; here I shall destroy all your enemies." They did so; I took a bow, and with it twanging fearfully, poured a shower of huge shafts on them, piercing every inch of their bodies. Jumping into (i.e. on the deck of) the ship that had engaged our ship and wherein all the warriors were almost killed or routed, I sprang at the commander, who had not come forth to fight, and captured him alive. He was that Bhīmadhanvā himself. I, having recognized him, addressed him who was overcome with shame—"Well, good sir, did you mark the wilful actions of destiny?" The crew of my ship then tied him very fast with the very chains which I had borne, and uttering sounds of great joy adored me.

Our ship, which had now become very difficult to be steered aright, being impelled by a contrary wind, drove to a great distance and came in close contact with an island. There we landed, after letting down the stone-anchor so as to fall heavily on the ground, with a desire to store up the sweet water, fuel, fruits and roots to be found there. There was a lofty mountain on that island. I, who saw it, said to myself—"Oh, beautiful is this skirt of the mountain; lovelier still is this its adjoining ground full of benzoin; cool is this water of the mountain-stream marked by circles spreading owing to the drops of the honey of blue lotuses; charming is the region of the grove of trees attractive by the clusters.

of flowers of various colours;" and thus observing many a scene with my eyes ever unsatiated, without noticing the distance, I ascended to the top of the mountain without being aware of it; and here I came across a tank which was tinged red by the upward-spreading lustre of the rubies forming the steps leading to its water, and which was dusky with the dust of lotus-filaments. There I performed my ablutions, ate some bits of lotus-stalks as sweet as nectar, and had some white water-lilies hanging on my shoulders, when I was overtaken and menacingly addressed by a Brahmarâkshasa of hideous aspect living on its bank, demanding of me who I was and where I came from. I, undaunted, replied—"Gentle spirit, I am a Brâhmaṇa; having fallen from the hands of enemies into the ocean, and from the ocean into a galley belonging to the Yavanas, I came from that ship of the Yavanas to this lofty mountain full of variegated stones, and by chance lay down for rest (on the bank of) this lake; may you fare well!" He then said:—"If you do not answer my questions, I will devour you." I said—"Very well, ask them." And then the following conversation embodied in an A'ryā ensued between us:—

QUE.—What is cruel (that may be so called)?

ANS.—The heart of a woman.

QUE.—What contributes to the happiness and welfare of a householder?

ANS.—Virtues of a housewife.

QUE.—What is *Kâma* (i. e., attainment of the object desired)?

ANS.—Resoluteness of purpose.

QUE.—What is the means of attaining a difficult object?

ANS.—Ingenuity.

"Of this (these statements) (the accounts of) Dhûminî, Gomini, Nimbavatî, and Nîlambavatî are the proof." Thus addressed he said to me—"Tell what sort of women they were." Whereupon I thus began (the story of Dhûminî):—

"There is a country named Trigarta; in it lived three householders who were brothers, having a large property, and wealth, named Dhanaka, Dhânyaka and Dhanyaka. Once during their life-time there was no rain (i. e., Indra, poured down no rain) for twelve years. The grains were withered; medicinal herbs were

rendered futile ; trees bore no fruit ; clouds were empty (*lit.* unimpregnated with water) ; rivers had their currents dried up (*or*, reduced) ; pools had only mud left in them ; streams entirely ceased to flow ; roots and fruits became very rare ; conversations ceased ; the celebrations of religious rites and festivals fell into disuse ; thieves and rogues multiplied ; the people ate one another ; here and there were to be seen wallowing the skulls of men, pale-white like cranes ; swarms of crows suffering from starvation flew about ; and cities, villages, towns, and hamlets were almost depopulated. Now these brothers, having consumed all their store of grain, flocks of sheep and goats, wild buffaloes all the cattle, all their servants, children and even the wives of the eldest and the elder brothers in turn, decided to eat up Dhāminī, the wife of the youngest brother, the following day. Now Dhanyaka, unable to bear the idea of having to eat his own wife, made off with her that very night ; and when she was fatigued by the journey, he bore her on his shoulders and entered a forest. Allaying her hunger and thirst by means of his own flesh and blood, he bore her on, when he saw a man rolling on the ground, having his nose, feet, hands and ears cut off. Dhanyaka, in pity of his sad plight, took him on his back, and carried him on ; and having with great efforts built a hut in the midst of a forest abounding in bulbous roots and deer, he lived there for a long time. And he fed the cripple with meat and vegetables like his own self, after his wounds were healed with *Īṅgudī* oil and such other things. Once, while Dhanyaka had been out in quest of game for their support, she waited upon the cripple, who had now grown quite fat and had an abundant quantity of vital fluid, with a desire to enjoy herself in his company, and though repulsed by him she compelled him to comply with her desire. When her husband returned and asked for water, she threw before him a bucket with a rope, and desired him to get water from the well himself, alleging that she had been suffering from head-ache ; and as he was drawing up water from the well she came from behind in an instant and pushed him in. Then carrying the cripple on her shoulders and wandering from place to place, she came to be known as a *Pativrātā* and was worshipped variously. And finally she lived in great affluence by the favour of the king of Avanti. Now that Dhāminī, having discovered her husband, who had been taken out of the well being accidentally seen by some merchants repairing to the well for water, wandering in Avanti in search of food, charged him as the

wicked man who had mutilated her husband, and had him sentenced to a torturous death by the king ignorant of the facts of the case. Poor Dhanyaka, who was bound from behind and was being led to the place of execution, as his life-strings were not to be snapped so soon as that, boldly said to the officer in charge—“If the cripple whom I am believed to have mutilated will accuse me of the crime, I shall well merit this punishment.” When he was shown to the cripple by being taken to him by the officer with the words—“What harm is there,” he, with tears in his eyes, fell at his feet, and being a noble-minded man acknowledged all the obligations he owed him, and revealed all the wickedness of his wife. The king, being highly intensed (on hearing this), ordered that wicked woman to be disfigured and made a cook for the dogs (*i. e.* disgracefully banished); while he made Dhanyaka an object of his favour. Hence I say (*i. e.* this story proves my assertion), that a woman’s heart is very cruel ”

Being asked again (to proceed), I began the story of Gominî:—“In the country of Dravida is a city called Kāñchî. A young merchant of immense fortune (*lit.* consisting of several crores) named Śaktikumāra resided there. Being in his eighteenth year he once thus mused to himself—“There is no real happiness for those who lead a single life, or for those who have no wives of corresponding virtues. How shall I then obtain an accomplished wife?” Now, not feeling certain of finding the expected degree of excellence in a bride chosen from confidence in others, he adopted the disguise of a fortune-teller and carrying with him a *prastha* of paddy bound up in his cloth, he travelled over the world. Wherever he went, those who had daughters brought them to him, thinking he knew the auspicious marks (on the body); and whenever he met with a girl of auspicious marks and of his own class, he asked her this question—“Good girl, can you serve us with good food prepared out of this Prastha of Śâli?” Being laughed at and repulsed, he roamed about, going from house to house. Once, having arrived at a town in the country of the Śibis on the bank of the Kāverî, he saw a girl sparingly decorated with ornaments, presented before him by her nurse, who had lost, along with her parents, her great fortune and also the valuable property in her house. His eyes being riveted on her, he pondered—“Indeed, all the limbs of this girl are neither too stout nor too slight,

neither too short nor too long, nor are they unduly large, and are bright (*lit.* possessed of cleanness). Her hands have their palms and fingers red, and are marked with a number of auspicious signs, such as Yava, fish, lotus, and a vase; her feet have their ankles well turned and even, and are fleshy and not marked with prominent veins; her thighs are taperingly rounded; her knees are hardly to be seen, oppressed as they are beneath her massive thighs; the region of her hips is evenly divided, symmetrical, beautiful with the well-turned cavities of the loins and round like a wheel. Her deep naval is slender and slightly depressed; her belly is decked with the three folds of skin; her breasts, beautiful on account of their great expanse and with the nipples deep set in, cover her whole bosom; her tender and creeperlike arms have their palms marked with the auspicious signs that ensure abundant wealth, corn and progeny, the jewel-like nails whereof are glossy, prominent and delicate, and the fingers of which are straight, rounded symmetrically and reddish; the region of their shoulders are well-turned; they are delicate, and their joints are depressed. Her neck is slender, round and gracefully curved like a conch; her countenance is lotus-like, where the round lips are tinged red in the middle; its chin is not contracted and is elegant; the orbs of her cheeks are well-developed and firm; the dark glossy eye-brows are beautifully curved and not connected; the nose is like the budding sesamum flower; the eyes, reddish at the corners and bright, are dark, white, rolling unsteadily and beautifully, dull and elongated; her forehead is beautiful like the half-crescent of the moon; her curly ringlets are lovely-looking like the sapphire-stone; her beautiful ear-lobes are gracefully decorated with the now-faded lotus-stalk double-folded round them; and her not very curly mass of hair is luxuriant, not brown even at the tips, and long, wherein the hair grows each by itself and evenly, and is glossy and redolent of sweet scent. Such a lovely figure as this can hardly be inconsistent with good disposition. My heart is attached to her only; so, putting her to test, I will marry her. Surely, successions of (occasions for) regret more than once overtake those who act precipitately." Having reflected thus he asked her with an affectionate look—"Good girl, hast thou the skill to serve me with good food prepared out of this Prastha of Śāli?" At this she looked significantly at her old attendant, and having taken the paddy

from him, asked him to sit on a raised seat near the door, which was well-cleaned with cow-dung, after having given him water to wash his feet with. She then pounded the Śālis, dried them a little in the sun, turned them over and over again on a firm and level ground, and after striking (rubbing) them gently with the back of a stalk, separated the husk from them without breaking the grain. She then said to her nurse—"Mother, goldsmiths stand in need of this bran of the rice to clean their jewellery with; sell it to them and purchase with the price (*lit.* Kākipis obtained) fuel, neither too dry nor too moist, a cooking utensil of a fixed measure, and two platters." When that was done by her, she brayed the grain in a mortar of Arjuna wood having an upright hole, not very deep and spacious, stirring it up again and again with her fingers, and striking it with a heavy pestle of Khadira with its end covered with iron plate and even-shaped, and with the slenderness of its middle part noticeable, in a manner in which her arms were fatigued by the artistically graceful motions of the pestle, up and down. She removed the grains of dust and the awn from the rice by winnowing it with a winnowing basket, and having repeatedly washed it with water, poured it in five times its quantity of boiling water, worshipping the hearth as she did so. When the grains of the rice became loose, and floated about when they had swollen up properly (*lit.* passed the state of a bud), she lessened the heat of the fire, and passed the scum. She then stirred the rice with a ladle, turned it a little, and when all the grains were equally boiled, placed the boiler with the mouth downwards. She then extinguished the fire-brands, which were not entirely consumed, with cold water, and turning them into black coal sent it (by the old woman) to those who wanted it, telling her to buy, with the *kākipis* obtained by its sale, vegetables, ghee, curds, oil, myrobalans, and tamarind, as far as obtainable. The old woman did so, and the damsel prepared two or three condiments, and cooled the scum of rice-water lying in an earthen vessel placed on moist sand by very gently fanning it with a palm fan, added salt to it, and fumigated it with perfumes evaporated on the charcoals; and having reduced the myrobalans to fine powder she made them lotus-fragrant, and asked him (Śaktikumāra), through her nurse, to bathe. She (the nurse), who had purified herself by bathing, gave to him oil and myrobalans (to rub his body with); which done, he bathed. When he had performed his ablutions, he sat on a wooden seat

placed on the paved floor well swept after being sprinkled over (with cow-dung-water), touching (i.e. passing his hand across) two wet platters that were placed on a third part cut from the vertex of the leaf of a plaintain tree that was grown in the court-yard. She brought him first the rice-gruel she had prepared, which he drank, and being rid of the fatigue of his journey, he sat refreshed, all his limbs having freely perspired. Then she gave him two spoonfuls of the Śāli rice, and also brought him ghee, sauce and condiments; the rest of the rice she served him with curds spiced with pepper, cinnamon and ginger, and with fragrant and cool butter-milk and sour gruel. His hunger was quite satisfied while part of the food remained, when he asked for water to drink. Thereupon she poured out to him in a stream the water which was contained in a new Bhṛīṅgāra (a kind of jug), and which was fumigated with the incense of black aloewood, and charged with the smell of fresh Pātala flowers mingled with the perfume of full-blown lotuses. He, too, having raised the drinking dish to his mouth, drank the water to his fill, while his eye-brows looked tawny being fringed with cool, snow-like drops of water; his ears were regaled with the sound of the stream of water, his cheeks looked rough with the horripilation due to the pleasure of touch, his nostrils were filled with thick and diffusing fragrance, and his tongue became quite gratified with the excess of sweetness. Asked to stop pouring water by the simple sign of a nod, the damsel gave him water for *āchamana* from another vase. The old woman then removed the dining-leaf and the fragments (of his food), and cleaned the paved ground with fresh cow-dung, whereafter he spread his own garment upon it and went to sleep. Being greatly pleased, he married that damsel according to the proper rites, and took her home. After he had taken her there, with (seeming) indifference towards her he attached himself to a courtesan; her also she nevertheless treated (or, served) like a dear friend. She assiduously worshipped her husband as a god, and managed his household affairs without any flaw. Herself a treasure of politeness, she won the love of all her attendants. Subdued by her virtues, her spouse, with his life and body entirely depending on her, left all his domestic concerns to her, and enjoyed the three objects of human existence. Hence I say, that the virtues of his wife are for the happiness and welfare of a householder."

Being then asked by him (to go on), he (thus) narrated the story of Nimbavati:—"In the country of Saurāshṭra there is

a city called Valabhî; in it there dwelt Grihagupta, the chief of sea-traders, who possessed immense wealth like Kubera. He had a daughter named Ratnavatî. The son of a merchant-leader, Balabhadra by name, came from Madhumatî and married her. Being thoughtlessly obstructed in private (*lit.* in his enjoyment of the pleasure of union), by his new bride, he at once conceived a violent hatred for (*i. e.* dislike to) her; (so much so that) he did not desire to see her again. Turning a deaf ear to all the importunities of his friends, he even avoided going to her house. Just from that time her relatives as well as others insulted that unfortunate woman by the nickname of Nimbavati (*lit.* possessed of the bitterness of the *nimba* tree). After some time had elapsed, she, feeling repentance, and reflecting on her future course of life (*or, fate*), saw some old female recluse, who was like a mother to her, coming to her with flowers taken from an idol. Before her she pitiuously shed profuse tears in private. Asked by her, with her face covered with tears and after having consoled her in many ways, the cause of her weeping, she (Ratnavatî), though blushing to tell it, somehow addressed her thus, considering the weightiness of the object on hand:—"Mother, what can I say? The state of being hated by one's husband is, as is well known, simply a living death in the case of women (in general), and more particularly of women of high birth. I myself have become a fitting instance of this (such a state of things); all my kith and kin, headed by my own mother, regard me with a look of contempt. Make me, therefore, one who will be well seen (by all; *i. e.*, by being taken into his favour by my husband); and if it is not possible, here shall I relinquish this hateful life. And this my secret should not be revealed until I die." With these words she fell at her feet. The old woman raised her up and with tears in her eyes said—"Dear girl, do not go in for such a rash act; here am I ready to do your bidding. I shall be entirely at your service, as long as I can serve you in any way. If at all you are disgusted with this worldly life, practise penance under my guidance to ensure bliss in the next world. This is surely the result of evil deeds done in a previous life, since though endowed with such grace of form, such purity of character and such nobility of birth, you have unaccountably become the object of aversion to your husband. Your intellect is more acute than mine; if, therefore, you can see a remedy to

set right the prejudice of your husband, point it out to me." Thereupon she (Ratnavatî) mused for a moment with her face hung down, and replied—"Revered lady, the husband alone is the idol of women, more especially of those of high birth (i. e. respectable station). Hence, something must be done which will be the means of enabling me to serve him. We have a neighbour, a merchant, who by means of his high birth and wealth, as well as being in the confidence of the king, stands pre-eminently above all citizens. His daughter, Kanakavatî, is very like me in person and form; and she is also my very affectionate friend. I will play at ball with her on the terrace of her lofty mansion, doubly decorated as she. Do you somehow contrive to bring my husband to her place, communicating to him in moving terms her mother's desire to that effect. As you approach, I will let down the ball in your direction, as if blundering in the sport. Then, picking it up and placing it in his hand, say to him,—“This is Kanakavatî, the daughter of Nidhipatidatta, the prince of merchants, and a great friend of your wife. She reproaches you very much on account of Ratnavatî, calling you reckless and cruel. You should therefore restore to her this ball, the property of an enemy.” Thus addressed, he would certainly look up, and think me to be that same friend of me (Kanakavatî); and when I would beg for it with folded hands, he would, at your request again, return it to me, affected with a longing for me. Taking advantage of this circumstance (*lit.* loop-hole), you should approach him, and having kindled the fire of his passion, you should so contrive it that he would give me an appointment and take me off to another country.” Thrilled with joy (at my ingenuous suggestion), she did exactly as she was told. Thereupon Balabhadra, entirely beguiled by that old ascetic that she was none other than Kanakavatî, took her off who had her jewels and choice ornaments with her in the pitchy darkness of the night, and started away. That old ascetic, however, spread this report—“Balabhadra told me the previous day that he, silly that he was, had shown uncalled-for indifference towards Ratnavatî, insulted his parents-in-law, and disregarded the advice of his friends, and that he was, therefore, ashamed to live with her in the same place. Surely he must have taken her away with him; this will soon be clear.” On hearing this, Balabhadra's relatives became slack in their efforts to search after him. Now to turn to Ratnavatî; she, on her way, bought a female slave

who carried all their baggage, and soon they arrived at a small town (or, a town called Kheṭaka). Here Balabhadra who was an expert in business made a large fortune out of a small capital, and in time became the chief of the citizens there and had a large number of servants on account of his wealth. He once beat his first female servant very severely after reproaching her, saying—"You do not attend to your duty, steal whatever you see, and speak disagreeable words." The maid, in her rage, disclosed a part of his history, which was communicated to her while she was in favour. When the mayor, who was covetous (i. e. saw his gain in this), heard this, he reviled Balabhadra before the seniors of the town, saying—"This wicked Balabhadra is living amongst us, having carried away by stealth Kanakavatī, the daughter of Nidhipatidatta. You should not, therefore, come in the way of the confiscation of his whole property." Balabhadra was frightened, when Ratnavatī said to him—"Do not be afraid; say (to the seniors)—This is not Kanakavatī, the daughter of Nidhipatidatta, but the daughter of Grihagupta of the same Valabhī, Ratnavatī by name, who, being given to me by her parents, was married by me with all the due rites; if you do not believe me, send over a messenger to her relatives." Balabhadra said as he was desired, and continued to stay on there under the security of the association of traders, until Grihagupta, having learnt everything from the letter sent from the town, came over to the town, and being overjoyed, took back his daughter along with his son-in-law (to his place). When this was seen happening that way, Ratnavatī became greatly endeared to Balabhadra, who had all the while taken her for Kanakavatī. Hence I say that *Kāma* is 'resoluteness of purpose'."

Then he asked me to relate the story of Nitambavatī. I then continued—"In Śūrasena is a city called Mathurā. There dwelt a youth born in a high family, who was exceedingly fond of the fine arts and greatly addicted to courtesans; and who, having fought many a fight merely by the force of his arms for the sake of his friends, was given the significant name of *Kalahakanṭaka* by the harsher section of the populace. Once he saw, in the hands of a painter who was a chance visitor, a picture-cloth. A certain youthful damsel painted thereon made the mind of Kalahakanṭaka overpowered by love by her mere sight. He then said to the

painter—"Dear friend, this appears to me to be inconsistent herein; for here is a form difficult to be obtained by a woman of family, and yet there is a modesty which bespeaks high birth; while the complexion of her face is palish white, her body is graceful, not being very much enjoyed, and her eyes bear the expression of full growth. She cannot be one whose husband is absent from her on a journey; for there is no mark of separation, such as the tying of the hair in a single braid, seen here. And here is this mark (of recognition), visible on her right side. Hence she appears to be the wife, who is in distress for want of enjoyment commensurate with her youth, of some old merchant not having much virility, and painted by you through great skill just as she was seen by you (*i.e.* very faithfully)." The painter commended him for his discernment, and said—"This (*i.e.* what you have said) is true; she is the wife of a merchant of Ujjayinî in **Avanti**, named Anantakîrti, who bears the significant name of Nîtabavatî. She was thus painted by me, being struck with her beauty." Extremely agitated, he (the youth) just then set out for Ujjayinî to obtain a sight of her. Assuming the guise of a fortune-teller, he got access to her house under pretence of soliciting alms, and saw her. His passion being intensified at her sight, he (with a view to effect his project) went and solicited of the chief citizens the care of the cemetery and obtained it. With pieces of cloth used for covering the dead bodies and such other things obtained there, he attached to his interest a female Jaina devotee named Arhantikâ. Through her medium he made overtures to Nîtabavatî in secret, but she rebuked the woman and sent her way. Learning from the lips of the female Jaina devotee that it was very difficult to make that woman of family fall off from her character, he secretly instructed his messenger (thus)—"Go once more to the merchant's wife and say to her in private—"How can it be expected that a person like me, who by practising penance seeks final beatitude on seeing the evils of this worldly life, would ever endeavour to induce noble women to abandon their virtue of chastity? I simply tried you by doing that in order to find out whether you, too, possessed as you are of very large fortune, superhuman beauty and fresh youth, are affected with that fickleness (infirmity) of character so very common among other (*i.e.* ordinary) women."

I am pleased with the purity (*lit.* the unaffected state) of your character. Now I only wish to see you with a child; your husband, however, has been possessed by a malicious star and enfeebled by jaundice, and has thus become incapable of enjoyment; and, unless the obstacle in his case is removed, it is not possible to have a child from him. Be pleased, therefore, to enter all alone the grove of trees and secretly to place your foot in the hand of a magician brought by me to the spot; and, your foot being charmed with a spell by him, you should strike your husband with it on the chest under the pretence of being lovingly angry. That being done, he will be richly endowed with the best virility that will enable him to obtain a noble son; and he will be devoted to you as to a goddess. You need not at all be afraid in this matter." She will undoubtedly (*lit.* clearly) accede to that proposal. You should at night take me to the grove and bring her also there. I shall consider myself as favoured by you even by this much (service done to me.)" She did all that according to his instructions. He, too, being exceedingly pleased, went to the grove that same night, and while pretending to touch gently the foot of Nitambavatî, who was with great difficulty brought there by the Śramanikā, snatched off one of her gold anklets, scratched a little at the root of her thigh with a knife, and ran off. Being greatly frightened, she reproached herself for her imprudence, and appearing as if ready to kill the Jaina devotee, she washed the wound in the tank attached to her residence, put a bandage on it, and pretending to be ill, took off the other anklet and passed three or four days all alone, confined to bed. That cunning fellow approached Anantakîrti with the anklet, in order to sell it off. Anantakîrti, on seeing it, knew for certain that it was his wife's, and as he kept silence, asked him pressing to relate to him how he came by it. He remained firm, saying that he would tell it in the presence of the merchants' association. Anantakîrti on his part sent a message to his wife to send over her pair of anklets. Ashamed and terrified, she sent him the other anklet with a word that she happened to drop down one of her anklets as its tie was loosened, while she had entered the grove for rest the last night, and that it was not found till then though searched for, the one sent being the other one. With this information

Anantakīrti took him to the merchants' association. There the rogue, when questioned, thus informed them with (all the artful) modesty (of a hypocrite)—“It is, indeed, known to you that I live here maintaining myself by keeping guard over the cemetery by your command. I sleep in the cemetery even at night, lest some miserly people might burn their dead at night, afraid of my sight (*i.e.* unwilling to pay the charges). The other day at night I happened to see a woman of a darkish complexion (*or*, apparently young), forcibly drawing off from the pyre a half-burnt corpse; wishing to make gain out of it, I, dismissing all fear, caught her and made some scratch on her thigh with a knife, and also took off this anklet from her foot. Just as this was done, she ran away with quick steps. This is how the anklet came to be in my possession. Now the decision rests with you.” After deliberation, the citizens unanimously came to the conclusion that she was a witch. Abandoned by her husband, she went to the very cemetery at night, and having lamented long, wished to die by hanging herself up with a noose, when she was seized by the cunning youth. He conciliated her, saying—“Beautiful damsel, being maddened by the beauty of your form, I put forth various means to win you through the medium of the female devotee; but they having failed, I employed this extraordinary remedy with a view to enjoy your company for the whole of my life. Favour, therefore, this your slave, who is solely dependent on you.” With these words he fell again and again at her feet, used hundreds of conciliatory words to appease her anger, and eventually won her over to him, as she had no other course left to her. Hence it was remarked—“Ingenuity accomplishes what is difficult to attain.”

Hearing this (these my narratives), the Brahmarākshasa honoured (*i.e.* expressed a very high opinion of) me. At this very moment, several pearls, as large as half-developed Pūmṇāga buds, fell from the sky along with drops of water. I looked up, wishing to know what it could be, and saw a Rākshasa in the air carrying off a female who was struggling to free herself from his grasp. I felt restless, saying to myself—“How does the wicked Rākshasa carry away the woman against her will,” as I had no weapon with me and was also powerless to go up into the sky. My Brahmarākshasa friend, however, reproaching him, saying—“Stop, stop, you miscreant, where can you take

her?" rose into the sky and engaged him. Looking up with arms stretched out, I caught her (the female) in my arms falling from the sky like the blossom of a heavenly tree, being cast down through rage (by the ravisher) without any regard for her safety. Having caught her I stood holding her up just as she was trembling, with her eyes closed, and with her hair standing on end at the pleasure of the touch of my body. In the meantime the contending demons dispatched each other by means of mountain-peaks, trees forcibly torn off and by dealing out blows with their fists and feet. I then placed her on the extremely soft, sandy bank of the tank marked with bits of flowers, and eagerly looking at her found her to be none other than the princess Kandukávatī, the sole darling of my life. As I cheered her up, she looked askance at me, and recognizing me piteously moaned (and said)--"Lord, having conceived a strong love for you since I saw you at the Kanduka festival, I was somehow sustained by my friend Chandrasenā by means of various talks about you. When I heard that you were drowned in the ocean by my wicked brother Bhîmadhanvá, I eluded (the sight of) my friends and attendants, and went to the garden of sport alone, with intent to put an end to my life. While there, this base demon, capable of assuming any form at will, fell in love with me. His suit being rejected by me, who was frightened, he caught hold of me as I was trembling, and flew off; and he has thus met his end here. While, through good luck, I have fallen into the arms of you, the lord of my life. I wish you every happiness!" Having heard this, I descended with her and got on board the ship. As the ship sailed off, it was driven by contrary winds to that very Dámalipta; and we landed easily. I heard the lamentations of the subjects whose faces were covered with tears, to this effect--"Tuṅga-dhanvá, the Lord of the Suhmas, being dejected and pale at the disappearance of his son and daughter, has himself started with his queen to die on the banks of the holy Ganges, abstaining from all food, as he has no other children (to console him); and the old citizens, too, being attached to him and having no other lord, wish to die along with him." Thereupon I related to the king everything as it had happened, and delivered over to him his two children. I was made his son-in-law by the delighted lord of Dámalipta; his son then became my vassal; and he at my bidding resigned Ohandrasenā, like his own life. who, thereupon, repaired to

Kośadāsa (*i.e.* became his wife). Thereafter, coming here to the succour of Simhavarman, I became the enjoyer of the happiness of the festival of beholding you, my Lord."

On hearing this, Prince Rājavāhana, saying—"Marvellous is the working of destiny; great valour was displayed at the right time,"—again cast his joy-expanded eyes, with a smile playing on his lips, at Mantragupta. He, with his face obscured a little by his lotus-like hand, commenced to narrate his story without the use of any labial letters, his round lower lip being distressed (pained) by the injury caused by the teeth-wounds inflicted by his graceful beloved in passionate sport.

UOHCHHVĀSA VII. •

Mighty Prince (*lit.* son of the Imperial Monarch), being desirous of knowing the wherabouts of you who had disappeared in the chasm of the mountain, I (wandering about), happened to arrive at the country of the Kaliṅgas. I sat at the root, having a bed of tender and moist leaves formed about it, of a forest-tree that was close to the public obsequial ground, which was at some distance from the capital of the Kaliṅgas, and lay down with the seal of sleep on my eyes. At the intensely cold dead of night, when darkness was pouring down looking like the thick tressess of the dark night, when the imps of mischief were astir (*i.e.* stalking abroad), when the dew was falling, and when all people were deep in slumber in their respective abodes, I heard the extremely piteous utterance of a goblin and his mate that fell upon my ears resounding through the intervals of the thick branches of the Sāla trees, and that removed the sleep that was kissing my eyes, *viz.*—"How has this villain, the wretched magician, who, wishing to give a command at the time of enjoyment, has put an obstacle in our way when we are overpowered by uncontrollable passion! Oh, that some hero of unbounded valour would put a stop to the superhuman power attained by means of spell, of this vile wretch of a magician!" My heart being overpowered by the desire to see who that magician was and what he was ordering this servant of his to do, I went in the direction followed by the goblin to a certain distance, and saw a man, whose body was covered with ornaments made of very bright fragments of human bones, who had besmeared his frame with the ashes of the charcoal

of wood completely burnt by fire, and who wore matted hair (bright and tawny) like the flashes of lightning, busily feeding with his left hand a fire, which devoured the darkness over the expanse of the forest and the flames of which glared about as it consumed fuel of various kinds thrown into it every moment, with sesamum and mustard-seed that made a crackling sound (in the fire). The goblin stood before him with folded hands, saying—"What is to be done? Let the order be given." And he was ordered by the extremely mean-minded fellow—"Go and bring here from her palace Kanakalekhâ, the daughter of Kardana, the king of Kalinga." The goblin did as he was bid. The magician then seized her by the mass of her hair the tie of which had given way and the garland worn as an ornament in which was scattered about, while she called out to her parents with an anxious heart, being seized with great terror and with her accent choked with tears; and with the desire of striking off her head with a sword sharpened on a whetting stone, he made a movement. I quickly snatched off the weapon from his hand, and with the same struck off his head and deposited it with its mass of matted hair in the hollow of a branch of an old Sâla tree that was near. On seeing it the goblin was exceedingly pleased, being rid of all his anxiety. And he said—"Sir, being tormented by this wretch I had never had sleep coming to my eyes; he used to threaten and worry me and order me to do execrable things. You, who are a treasure of goodness, have, therefore, done an excellent thing in dispatching this vile crew of a human being, to taste the agonies of hell, to the city of Yama (*lit.* the son of the sun, the hot-rayed god). I should, therefore, like to execute some order of your honour, a treasure of mercy, and of uncommon lustre. Please order me; away with delay." With these words he made a reverential bow. I said to him—"This is the course of life followed by the good—that a very great respect is observed (in their case) in return for an insignificant act of obligation. If you would not disapprove of it, then take this beautiful princess, who, not deserving of such trouble, has been distressed for nothing by this wicked magician, back to her place; there is nothing else that would be so gratifying to my mind." Now, on hearing this, the princess, casting slantingly her slightly contracted eyes with their pupils tremulous and partaking of the beauty of the blue lotus serving as her ear-ornament, moving

with graceful gentleness her creeper-like eye-brows which danced on the stage of her broad forehead and were arched like the bow of the fish-bannered god (i.e. Cupid), and with her reddish cheeks bristling with hair, influenced alternately by passion and abashment, drawing idle figures on the ground with her fore-foot with the moonlight of her nails spreading slantingly, while her lotus-like face was turned aside, addressed me these few words, sweet like the notes of a cuckoo, in which the mellow light of her teeth was caused to undulate by the gentle breaths escaping through her mouth, which passed beyond her sprout-like lips, which removed the moisture of the sandal-paste over her ample bosom wetted by the clusters of the drops of the streams of the tears of joy, and which issued with the swiftness of the shafts of Kāma (*lit.* Rati's mate) skilled in hitting the target of heart—"Gentle Sir, for what reason do you hurl this your servant (me) into the depths of the ocean of love surging with the waves of yearnings agitated by the blast of passion, after having snatched her off from the grip of death? (Please) regard me just like a particle of the dust of the lotus of your feet. If at all you have some pity for me, I wish to be favoured with the exclusive privilege of serving your feet. If some disaster is apprehended owing to the secret being divulged if you take your residence in the female apartments, that too cannot be. For there my friends and attendants are all exceedingly attached to me; they will endeavour in such a way that no one will know of this." Being very mercilessly struck at heart by Cupid who stretched his bow as far as his ears, and fastened hard with the iron fetters of her side-long looks, I fixed my eyes on the goblin and said—"If I do not act up to what this beautiful damsel (*lit.* of hips as round as a wheel) desires, Cupid will instantly lead her to the state of non-existence; so carry this person (me) to the princess' apartment, along with this fawn-eyed girl." And I was taken by the goblin to the residence of the princess which resembled a mass of autumnal clouds. There I stayed for a short space of time in one part of the attic story at the desire of the moon-faced maiden, having the peace of my mind (moral courage) shaken off at her sight. She, then, by the gentle touch of the palm of her hand, roused from slumber some of her friends who were in sound sleep, and acquainted them with what had happened. Thereupon they came, and placing their heads on my feet, with their eyes roughened with the flowing

tears, gently said to me in tones which were confused with the hummings of the bees clinging to the tips of the filaments of the (flowers in the) garlands worn as crest-ornaments—"Sir, our friend was not captured by death as she came to be the mark of the eyes of you, who surpass the sun in lustre. She has now been given over to you by the god-father, Cupid, in the presence of (*lit.* keeping as witness) the fire of love. Let the heart, as firm as a slab of stone on the mountain Meru, of you with eyes like blown lotuses, be set off with this wonderful jewel (in the form of our friend), bright with its twinkling light (whose mind is now agitated with the passion of love). Then will her bosom be blessed with the close embraces of an exceedingly worthy mate." From that time I enjoyed myself in the company of that beauteous princess, my chains of love being made fast by her exceedingly clever (*or, courteous*) friends.

Now once (in the season of Spring)—which torments the minds of travellers (*lit.* persons separated from their wives), when the thick-grown Kesara (= Bakula or Purnāga) flowers fade under the descent of bees greedy (of flower-juice), when Tilaka, the sportive mark on the broad forehead of forest-groves, is all in bloom, when the full-blown Karṇikāra flower forms the golden umbrella of the lovely Love-King, when the Malaya breeze produces blossoms on the mango-trees which attract swarms of bees, which eminently prepares women for the field of amorous sports, being inspired with passion by the cooings of the cuckoo, where (all sense of) shame is overridden by the passion of love rising in the minds of modest girls, and wherein all creepers are taught to dance gracefully by the instructor, the breeze, cool owing to its contact with the sandal-trees on the skirts of the Dardura (mountain),—the king of Kaliṅga, having got a passion for sport, accompanied by all the ladies of his harem, his daughter and all the citizens, passed 13 days, in the grove by the sea-shore, not to be penetrated by the sun's rays, where the sandy bank was closely touched by the sprouts at the ends of creepers bent down under the weight of the swarms of humming bees, and which was cool on account of its contact with the shower of the sprays of water from the rolling waves. While thus wholly engaged in the pursuit of the pleasures of love, delighted with the emulation in the unrestrained love-sports full of amorous gestures of thousands of beautiful damsels engaged in continuous songs and music, Jayasimha, the king of A'ndhra, taking advantage of the weak point,

suddenly came upon him with a numerous host conveyed there in boats, and captured him with all his household. My beloved Kanakalekhá, too, her eyes unsteadily rolling through fear, was carried away with all her friends. I became quite dejected (*lit.* with my complexion faded), with all thought of taking food gone, owing to the burning sensation of the heat of passion, and said to myself—"That princess of Kaliṅga has now fallen into the hands of the foe with her father and mother. That king (Jayasimha), with the firmness of his mind destroyed by (her charms), will certainly desire to retain her in his possession; and she, resenting that, will at once put an end to her life by means of poison or some such thing. And when such will be her state, Cupid will not allow this person to sustain his life. What is that course which is to be my future lot?"

Just at this time I saw a certain Bráhmaṇa who was coming from the capital of the king of A'ndhra. He told this tale—"Kardana, who was desired to be put to death by Jayasimha, exasperated by the various insults offered, was spared, it is said, owing to his passion being roused at the sight of Kanakalekhá; that princess, however, being possessed by a certain Yaksha, does not so much as stand before any man, not even before the king. The king has been essaying to drive him (the Yaksha) away with the help of thousands of magicians, but with no success." This account having inspired me with hope, I repaired to the cemetery, where I pulled off the tufted locks of matted hair from the cavity of an old Sála tree and wore them; then, having obscured all my limbs by means of rags and a patched vestment, I procured a company of disciples whom I kept in good humour with the gifts (of garments, food &c.) which I obtained from the villagers duped by the various wonderful tricks that were performed. In a few days I went to the A'ndhra capital. At some distance from (*lit.* not very near to) it, I took up my abode in a grove on the edge of a lake, vast like an ocean and decked with the flocks of geese and variegated with the bits of filaments dropped from thousands of lotus-petals torn by hosts of royal swans. Clever in the deception of all the citizens drawn to me by my miraculous acts, reported to them by my pupils, I was thus talked of in all the quarters—"That ascetic, who has been lying on an altar on the bank of the lake in the old forest-grove, is said to have (*or, verily has*) all the Vedas, with their secrets, and the six accessory work on the tip of his tongue. And (the exact

meaning of) whatever other Śāstras one may not know, one can get that (meaning) settled by him. He has never sullied his tongue with untruth; he is the treasure of mercy incarnate; asceticism has gained its end by his espousal of it; the various diseases of many a man, pronounced incurable by physicians, have vanished, when a few particles of the dust of his feet were scattered on their heads; the influence of terrific stars and planets, that had baffled the power of all magicians and magical diagrams, dies out in an instant, when the heads of men are purified by being sprinkled over with the water used for washing his feet. It is impossible to gauge the extent of his power; he has not even a speck of vanity in him." This report, passing through the mouths of several people, attracted the king whose mind was all the while deeply engaged in exorcizing the Yaksha that had possessed Kanakalekhā. He saw me every day, worshipped me with profound respect, pleased my disciples with gifts, and once seizing an opportunity gently entreated me for the accomplishment of his desired object. I stood in firm meditation, and displaying my knowledge of occult things at the proper time, I surveyed him carefully, and having come to a conclusion said—"Dear Sir, in the right place is this effort (of yours); the acquisition (gaining the hand) of that jewel of a princess, the sole treasure of all auspicious marks, is the very means for the acquisition of the Earth-bride, decorated by the girdle of the milky ocean and ornamented with the necklace formed of the strings of thousands of rivers, the Ganges and others. The Yaksha who possesses her ill bears it that any magician should get the sight of her, whose eyes, beautiful like blue lotuses, are gracefully contracted. You should, therefore, wait for three days, by which time I shall try to achieve this object." Thus advised, the king returned in joy. Thereafter at night, when there was no moonlight and all the quarters were completely swallowed by dense darkness, and when the eyes of all were sealed with (i. e. closed fast in) sleep, I issued forth, and formed with great difficulty an excavation in the side of the compact (i. e. holeless) bank of the lake near the flight of steps, which was to be reached by one diving into the water. Having ascertained that the region of the bank of the lake was not to be suspected by the people (as being tampered with) as the upper mouth of the excavation was covered closely with stones and bricks, I purified my body with a bath in the

morning, and having worshipped with handfuls of red lotuses the sun (the thousand-rayed god)—whose spreading rays served as the red paint applied to her body by the Eastern-quarter-lady; who is the witness of all acts, good or bad; the extraordinary crocodile capable of crossing the lines of rolling waves in the form of the clouds of the ocean of the expanse of the sky; the playful actor dancing on the stage of the peak of the mountain of gold (Meru); the one lion that destroys the elephant of the darkness of the night; and who is the central gem attached to the extremity of the necklace of the strings of stars;—and I returned to my abode.

When three days had elapsed, and when the lord of day (sun), whose blaze appeared like the red-mineralled peak of the Western Mountain, was as comely to look at as the one stout breast, smeared over with red sandal, of the beautiful damsel of twilight united with the form of Śamkara known as A'kāśa (the sky) for the sake of tormenting Pārvatī, the king came to me and stood with folded hands, hiding his tiara in the rays of the nails of my feet. And he was thus addressed—“Fortunately, I have seen how to achieve your purpose; in this world, indeed, fortune does not take up her abode with the inactive (*lit.* unambitious); prosperity is always in the hands of the active; for this reason, this reservoir has been sanctified in such a way by this person (me), his mind being drawn by your exceedingly noble conduct which is free from any (*lit.* bears no) stain on it, which is highly esteemed and fraught with great respect, that you will accomplish your object this very day. You should plunge into it at night after it has half worn away (*i.e.* at midnight); after entering it you should lie down at the bottom of the water as long as you can, with suppressed breath. On this there will be a splashing sound of the mass of water to be heard in a moment by the people lending their ears to the confused cackle of the royal swans frightened by their bodies being pierced by the ends of the thorns of the lotus-stalks shaken by the beds of the lotuses being covered with the water tossed from the bank; that sound having subsided, you will come forth with a wet body and reddish eyes; and on seeing the form, delightful to the eyes of all people, in which you will appear then, the Yaksha will not be able to stand before you. And the heart of the princess will in an instant be such as will brook no delay in obtaining your sight, being made fast with chains of affection firmly fixed on you.”

And the circle of this your bride, the earth, you should look upon as secure (*lit.* lying on the palm of your hand), the whole body of your enemies being easily annihilated. There should be no doubt as to that. If you wish to do this, you may take counsel with your officers whose intellect (judgement) is matured by the deep study of the various S'ástras, and other well-wishers, and having summoned a hundred fishermen (*lit.* men with nets) and caused the inner space of the lake to be carefully examined by them and hundreds of other men in whom you have confidence, have it carefully guarded by your troops stationed at a distance of thirty fathoms. For, who can know what mischief an enemy may mean on getting an opportunity?" My speech appealed to him. And his officers, who could not see any mischief in it and who knew how firm in his determination the king was owing to his excessive passion for the princess, did not object to the execution of the plan. I then addressed the king, who was ready to carry out my instructions and firmly resolved to secure the maiden,—“O King, we have resided in your country for a long time; it is not proper for us to remain long in one place. When your purposes are attained, you will not see us any more. A departure from here without doing something to serve you, in whose kingdom we have gained food and other things, would have been condemned by the A'ryas; this was the reason of our stay here for a long time; and that is to-day achieved. Go home, bathe in suitable water having an agreeable smell, apply perfumes to your body and put on a white garland and propitiate the Bráhmaṇas, who are no less than gods on this earth, with presents in keeping with your state; and at night, dissipating the mass of darkness with thousands of torch-lights having wicks fed with sesamum oil, advance to the attainment of your desires.” The king, expressing his gratitude, said—“This attainment of my object is no attainment if your reverence does not wish to stay here. Woe to this disattachment to worldly objects, which makes you leave your servant without any fault of his! All the same, the words of the worthy cannot be gainsaid.” With these words he went home to bathe. I went forth to the lake in the solitude of midnight, and having entered the hole remained listening through a small aperture to what was going forward. When it was midnight, the king, who had done everything according to my instructions, set guards at different places, and having brought men who cast nets, saw that the interior was free from obstacles, and plunged into the water, without any misgiving at all, with a

sportive motion. As he dived in the water, an elephant's height deep, with his hair scattered about and the cavities of his nose and ears filled with water, and lay down there, I approached him in the manner of a crocodile passing very carefully through the water, cast my scarf round his neck, and mercilessly pommelled him with blows of hands and feet as tremendous as the strokes of the rod of Yama, so that he ceased struggling (i. e. died) in an instant. I then dragged his body, and thrusting it into the hole emerged from the water.

The troops that at once came up were astonished at the surprising change in the king's person. I mounted the royal elephant, and adorned with all the signs of royalty, such as the white umbrella, proceeded along the road, wherein passage was made by the people afraid of being beaten by the staffs of fierce staff-bearers, to the palace, where I passed the night with my eyes stripped of the pleasure of sleep owing to the joy I felt. The next day, when the orb of the sun, the jewelled mirror for the beautiful damsel of the East, looking like the frontal globe of the temple of a quarter-elephant smeared with red lac, became visible to the eyes of the people, I, having performed the customary morning duties, seated myself on a throne glittering with gems variegated with multitude of rays, and addressed my companions, who waited upon me with formalities proper for each, with their limbs contracted through fear—"Observe the power of the saint who was never subdued by objects of sense, by whose purification devoid of the quality of Rajas, I had this transformation of my person lovelier than before, and having the pleasing brightness of the petals of a lotus, in (having plunged into) this pool full of lotuses alive with gladdened bees. Let the heads of heretics be now bowed down in shame! Let all honour be paid by means of sessions of music and dance to the shrines of the gods, such as Śiva, Vishnu, Brahmadeva and others, and let largesses of money be taken away from here by the poor in order to dissipate all their cares." The ministers, with delighted looks on account of the extreme wonder, exclaimed—"Glory to the lord of the earth! May you, by your conquest, eclipse the fame of all the previous kings, filling the ten quarters with your glory!" With these benedictory words they executed the duties entrusted to them. I then saw one of my wife's most attached servants, Śaśāṅkasena, as she came to me on some mission, when I said to her in private—"Did you ever chance to see this person before?" She looked at me

a little, with her heart in the highest transport of joy, moving the creeper of the rays of her teeth in a manner gentle with sport, and hiding her tender sprout-like lips with the fingers of her hand gracefully contracted, folded her hands, while tears of joy flooded her eyes that had no collyrium applied to them, and said with the freedom of affection—"If this is not some fabric of magic of this sort, then I know too well whom I behold. How could this come to pass?" I told her the whole story, and having it imparted through her to Kanakalekhā, thereby filled her heart with ecstatic joy. I was then united with my beloved, who was formally given in marriage to me by the king (Kardana) who was set at liberty and treated with great respect by me. Then coming to be the ruler over both A'ndhra and Kaliṅga, I came with a large army to help the king of the Aṅgas, who was about to be attacked by his enemy, and became overpowered with joy at this accidental meeting here with Your Highness in company of all friends."

Rājavāhana with his friends complimented him on the skill he had shown, with a smile that bathed his lip with its brilliance, and said—"Wonderful is the part played by the great saint! His extremely austere penance bore fruit just in this life! Now, to speak in earnest (*lit.* joking apart), herein we have seen the nature of the union of ingenuity and courage resulting in the highest pitch of joy." Having said this he turned his eye, beautiful like a full-blown lotus, to Viśruta, who was rich in information, saying—"May you now descend (to the path of narration)."

UCHCHHVĀSA VIII.

He, too, said—"Lord, while travelling (in search of you) I came to the Vindhya forest, and there encountered by the side of a well a boy about eight years of age, in great distress, though unworthy of distress, on account of hunger and thirst. He said to me, with his voice choked with fear—"Noble sir, kindly help me, who am in distress. An old man, who was my only support, has fallen into this well as he was drawing water to gratify my exceedingly unbearable thirst. I am not able to rescue him." I immediately approached, and using a certain creeper (as a rope) took out from the well a venerable old man; and knocking down with stones five or six fruits of some Lakucha tree as tall as the ascent of an arrow, and drawing up some

water by means of a bamboo pipe, I helped them to refresh their spirits, and then sitting under a tree I asked the old man—"Sir, who is this boy, who are you, and how has this distress come upon you?" With tears choking his throat he said—"Magnanimous one, be pleased to listen. There is a country called Vidarbha whose king was Puṇyavarmā. He was the ornament of the race of Bhoja, a partial incarnation, as it were, of the God of Justice, mighty, truthful, liberal, and well-behaved; he was the educator of his people, and kept his servants well pleased; famous, conspicuous both by his intellect and his imposing form; ambitious of greatness, defender of the faith, and an undertaker of things possible to achieve and beneficial in the end. He respected the wise and promoted his dependants; he raised his kinsmen to dignity, but buried his foes in misery; he never lent his ear to nonsensical talk; ever a seeker of merits, he was thoroughly proficient in all the arts; he was fully conversant with sacred lore and political science; he would doubly repay even a slight good turn; he himself looked after his treasury and conveyances, took great pains to supervise (and appreciate) the work of the heads of the various departments, and encouraged with honour and fitting rewards those who well acquitted themselves of the duties entrusted to them. He at once removed calamities human as well as divine; he was an expert in the employment of the six expedients in foreign politics; he himself led (*i.e.* maintained in order) the four classes according to the path laid down by Manu, and his name it was auspicious to repeat. Having lived the full period of human life by the force of meritorious deeds, he came to be numbered among the immortals, owing to the want of religious merit on the part of his subjects. His son Anantavarmā succeeded him; he was graced with every excellence, but unluckily held the science of politics in little esteem. Once an old minister of his, Vasurakshita by name, who was highly respected by his father and was eloquent in speech, said to him in private—"Prince, all the excellences of the soul, beginning with nobility of birth, seem to exist fully (*lit.* do not seem to be wanting) in you. And your intellect, naturally sharp, and developed by its knowledge of the arts of music, dancing, painting, and poetics in all its branches, surpasses that of others. But the same intellect, not being exercised in its proper subject, *viz.* the study of the science of government, does not shine prominently, like gold that has not been refined in fire; and

the prince, whose understanding has not been thus cultured, is unable to see, however exalted he may be, how he is overridden by others, nor is he able to act having properly discriminated the objects to be effected and the means by which they are to be attained. Acting injudiciously, and thwarted in his undertakings, he is disregarded by his own servants and by strangers as well; and when a king is despised, his orders fail to give safety to, or ensure the welfare of, his subjects; and when the subjects once learn to transgress the orders of the king, they, talking anything, and doing whatever they like, will upset all order; and demoralized subjects ruin themselves as well as their master, in this world and in the next. When the path of action is seen by the lamp of political science, the course of worldly affairs proceeds smoothly on. The science of politics is but the divine eye, the operation of which is never obstructed in giving insight into things, past, present and future, as well as hidden or far removed from sight. Devoid of that (eye), a man, although having long-stretched and large eyes, is no better than a blind creature, owing to his inability to penetrate into political ends. Abandon, therefore, the attachment to mere external accomplishments, and study the science of government, your family inheritance. Putting into practice its precepts, and with the three royal powers successfully employed, rule long over the sea-girt earth, your authority being unobstructed !”

On hearing (this advice), the king, saying—“Rightly is the advice given by the revered one; it shall be attended to,” entered the inner apartment. On hearing the matter mentioned in the course of talk by the king before the ladies of the harem, an associate of the king from his very childhood, Vihārabhadra by name, who was sitting not very far, who was skilled in acting according to the wishes of (i. e. in humouring) his master, and who was known to be the royal favourite; who had a good insight into (i. e. knew) singing, dancing, and playing; who was libidinous, clever, of licentious tongue, skilled in paronomastic and enigmatical speeches, devoted to finding the weak points of others, and could excite laughter; who took delight in scandal; who was an expert in craft and in the art of receiving bribes even from ministers; and who was a professor of all the wicked acts and a pilot of libertinism;—he smiled and said—“Sire, whenever by the favour of fortune a person is blessed with prosperity, clever rogues, worrying him with

various temptations, accomplish their own designs: Thus some, inspiring hopes in him about the supreme felicity to be enjoyed after death, get his head shaved, gird him with a string of holy grass, clothe him in skins, smear his body with butter, send him to sleep without his supper, and manage to appropriate all his property: there are (other) heretics more terrible than these, who persuade him to relinquish children, wives, and even life. If there be a person naturally shrewd enough not to let his property slip out of his hands in exchange for such mirage, then there are others who surround him and say—"We can convert even a single cowrie into a lac of coins, destroy all foes without weapons, or make even a single bodied mortal an Emperor, if only one is ready to follow the path we shall show." And when he asks them what that path is, they reply—"There are four branches of royal knowledge, viz., the three Vedas, the practical arts (such as agriculture, commerce &c.), logic with metaphysics, and the science of government. Of these, the first three are vast and bear fruit slowly; let them alone, therefore; study only the fourth; it has been recently composed by the learned Vishṇugupta in six thousand stanzas for the use of the King, Maurya (Chandragupta), which, when well studied and put into practice, yields the desired fruit." Agreeing to do so, the king reads and hears it, and just grows old while doing so. (For) that Śāstra is connected with others; unless all are read, nothing is thoroughly known! Let its principles be grasped after a short or long time (i. e. let the question stand apart): When this Śāstra is learnt, the first lesson taught is—Not to trust one's wife or child. As regards the filling of one's belly, the precept is—So much rice is needed to make up so much boiled rice, and so much fuel is sufficient for cooking it; hence let them be measured before they are served out.

Now (as regards a king's daily course of life), a king, on rising, when he has scarcely washed his mouth fully, must devote the first watch of the day to the examination of the day's receipts and expenditure, admitting (i. e. taking into account) a handful or half a handful* (of anything); and yet even while he hears, the clever superintendents will defraud him of twice as much. By the force of their own ingenuity

* Or, 'admitting a *mushṭi* or half a *mushṭi* as measures for reckoning.' See Notes for these technical terms.

they multiply a thousandfold the forty modes of defrauding set forth (*i. e.* pointed out) by Chāṇakya. In the second watch, the prince, with his ears painfully assailed by the squabbles of contending subjects, lives a most wretched life. Even therein, the judges and others, disposing of the suits favourably or unfavourably to the litigants as they please, join their sovereign with sin and infamy, and, indeed, themselves with money. In the third watch, he finds leisure to bathe and eat; but, until his food is digested, he lives in dread of poison. In the fourth, he rises to stretch forth his hands to receive gold (presents). In the fifth, he has to suffer great mental strain on account of the consideration of political schemes. In presenting these, too, the counsellors, appearing to be neutral (*i. e.* impartial), enter into mutual agreement, and pervert at will merits and defects, misstate the reports of the ambassadors and spies, misrepresent possibilities and impossibilities, confound all distinctions of place and time, and live upon (*i. e.* seek their own ends through) the friends of their own partisans or enemies; and secretly stirring up internal and external factions, and then appearing to allay these openly, they bring their helpless master into their power. In the sixth, the king is to divert himself as he likes or to consult his ministers (of amusements); and the time thus allotted for self-amusement is an hour and a half! In the seventh watch, he has the troublesome task of reviewing his troops. In the eighth he has to worry himself with ambitious projects in the company of his generals (war-ministers). In the evening, in the first watch of the night, after the performance of the evening twilight-duties, he must receive his secret emissaries, and through their medium instruct their extremely cruel-hearted agents entrusted with the work of using the sword or fire or administering poison (where necessary). In the second, after eating, he must begin, like a Bráhmaṇa, to con his portion of study. In the third, with the sounds of the trumpets he is sent to sleep, which he may enjoy in the fourth and fifth; but how possibly can the poor man get any repose, his mind being distracted by constant, anxious thought? In the sixth, he must begin to prepare for the duties prescribed by the Śāstras and the business to be attended to. In the seventh, he must consult with the ministers regarding the dispatch of agents and emissaries; and these fellows, as is well-known, increase the money obtained from both sides by saying sweet things, by trading on the road,

being free from the fear of having to pay taxes ; and making work even in a slight degree where there is none, they wander about at all times. In the eighth, the Purohita and others, assembling, relate to the king—"Last night we saw a bad dream ; the planets are not favourably situated ; besides, the omens are evil ; so (to avert the threatened misfortune) let propitiatory rites be performed. Let all the sacrificial implements be made of gold ; when this is done, the rites are prolific in their effect. Here are these Bráhmaṇas, each like Brahmá himself ; the benedictory rites performed by these lead to a blissful result ; they are in distressful poverty, have large families, are constantly engaged in devotional rites, are endowed with Brâmhāṇical lustre, and yet have not received any donations (from you) ; whatever is given to them will be rewarded by long life accompanied by heavenly happiness and good fortune (*lit.* destruction of calamities)." And thus having persuaded the king to confer rich donations upon them, they secretly enrich themselves through these. Thus, leading the day and night in which not the least happiness is to be obtained, which abounds in troubles and is full of constant worry,—let alone the lack of supreme sovereignty on the part of a politic prince, his own principality he will find it difficult to preserve ! There is a general mistrust as regards whatever a politic prince (*lit.* guided by politicians) gives, esteems, or lovingly talks of, all that being supposed to be meant for deception : And mistrust is the birthplace of disaster. To what extent the course of worldly existence can proceed without policy, is seen from our usual experience of ordinary life. We need have no recourse to Śāstra in this matter ; even a suckling manages to get milk from its mother by various means. Abandon, then, all restraint, and enjoy the pleasures of sense as far as you can. Even those who say—Thus the senses should be subdued ; thus the six natural foes should be shunned ; expedients of pacification and others should be employed with reference to allies as well as enemies ; and all the time should be spent in the discussion of questions of war and peace, and not the slightest room should be allowed to pleasures ;—even by these cranes of counsellors, whatever money they manage to pilfer from you, is spent in the houses of harlots. What of these beggarly fellows ? Take the case of such stern dictators of policy, as Śukra, A'ṅgīrasa, Viśāla, Akshabáhu, Dantiputra, Parášara and others, who are writers on Śāstras and practical government. Was the troop of

the six foes subdued by them, or the precepts of the Śāstras put into execution?—They, too, were confronted by success or failure in the undertakings set on foot by them. Again, there are many, who, being well-read, are taken in by those who have never read the Śāstras. Surely, Your Majesty has got all this, *viz.* an exalted pedigree which commands universal homage, unfaded youth, a lovely body, and immeasurable prosperity. Don't you therefore render all these advantages vain by attention to state-craft, which is the source of all mistrust, an impediment in the way of the enjoyment of pleasures, and which is never without uncertainty on account of its having to have recourse to various kinds of tricks. You have ten thousand elephants, three lacs of horses, and an innumerable host of foot-soldiers. Besides, your treasury is filled with gold and jewels; and even if all your subjects enjoy them for thousands of years, they cannot exhaust your granaries. Is all this insufficient, that an effort should be made to acquire anything more? The life of mortals lasts but for a short time (*lit.* four or five days); and even out of that, the portion suitable for enjoyment is very small. But fools perish while they go on acquiring money, and do not wish to enjoy even the least of what they have earned. But why expatiate on this? Leave the burden of the kingdom to those who have your confidence, who are able to bear the responsibility, and are loyal, and do you enjoy your corporeal existence sporting with the damsels of the palace that vie with the nymphs of heaven in beauty, holding singing, musical, and drinking parties as would suit the season." So saying, he long prostrated himself on the ground, touching it with the five parts of his body and with his folded hands kissing his forehead, while the youthful denizens of the harem laughed heartily with eyes expanded through joy; the king, too, said with a smile—"Rise! Surely you are my Guru, since you have given me proper advice; why do you then act in a way contrary to the position of a Guru?" So saying, he raised him, and remained there deeply engaged in amusements.

Now the king, being daily urged to his duties, as they arose, by his old and wise counsellor, professed to accept his instructions, but paid no heed to them, as though he did not know his mind (correctly read his thoughts). On seeing this, the wise old man thought—"Oh, my childish action

through folly (blind love for this prince)! I have become an eyesore to him and an object of derision, like a beggar, by urging him to attend to matters distasteful to him. Clearly, his behaviour towards me is not as before; for, he has now no affectionate look for me; he does not address me with a courteous smile; does not disclose his secrets to me; does not touch my hand; does not sympathize with me in my misfortunes, and has no favour to bestow upon me during festivities. He no longer sends me any handsome (*lit.* tempting) gifts; takes no notice of (*or*, appreciates no longer) my good deeds; he never asks after my family, nor has a regardful look for my partisans; he never admits me to his inmost secrets, nor ever gives me an access to the harem. But, on the contrary, he appoints me to unworthy (*i. e.* disagreeable) duties, and allows my seat to be occupied by others; he evinces confidence in my opponents, never condescends to reply to my questions, holds up to ridicule those whose offence is similar to mine (*i. e.* who give him wholesome advice), laughs at me so as to prick my vital parts, rejects even his own opinions when set forth by me; does not accept with joy the presents sent by me, howsoever valuable they may be; and makes fools proclaim in my presence the errors of politicians. Truly has Chāṇakya observed—‘Counsellors (even though undesirable), if they follow the bent of the king’s mind, ingratiate themselves into his favour; while on the other hand, such as are wise and just come to incur his hatred, if they fail to minister to his whims (*or*, if they are ignorant of the fiftful tendencies of the king’s mind).’ Still, what is to be done? This prince, disobedient as he is, is not to be abandoned by men like me who have served his father and grandfather; but, then, what good can I do to him, even though I do not leave him, as he never listens to my counsel? Surely now this kingdom will fall into the hands of Vasantabhānu, the ruler of Āsmaka, who is adept in policy. Would that the calamities that are in store for him would restore him to his natural disposition (bring him to his senses)! But (I feel) that though dislike to certain things may be produced in him when under calamities wherein mishaps easily befall, it will not make him love a life of rectitude. Be it as it may; calamity is sure to occur; I shall anyhow manage to remain at my post, putting a check on my tongue (so) ready to give advice.”

While the minister was in this (shaky) state of mind, and the king acting licentiously, (it happened that) Chandrapâlita, the son of Indrapâlita, minister of the king of Āsmaka, under the pretext of being expelled by his father for his profligate conduct, came to Vidarbha with a numerous train of musicians and dancing girls greatly skilled (in their art), and numerous retainers and spies in various disguises, and soon won over Vihārabhadra by means of diverse sports. By such course of conduct he soon acquired a hold upon the king; and on getting an opportunity he eulogized whatever amusement the king diverted himself with, as the proper one. Thus—When hunting was the theme, he would say, “Lord, no other sport can do so much good to the body as hunting. For, being the best kind of exercise, it generates swiftness of foot, which enables a man to traverse a long distance and is thus of great service in times of difficulty; as it removes phlegm, it improves the appetite (*lit.* stirs up the gastric fire), the sole root of health; as it destroys the fat, the limbs become firm, hardy and exceedingly active; by it one gets the power to endure cold and heat, as well as hunger and thirst; and by it one becomes acquainted with the thoughts and actions of various animals in different conditions. By killing the deer and wild Yāks, one can prevent the mischief they do to crops; roads and by-paths are all made safe by the destruction of tigers and wolves; and one comes to have a look into (*lit.* knowledge of) the woods and hilly regions which serve in more than one way; it gains (for the king) the confidence of those that tenant the wilds, and serves to stir their warlike enthusiasm, impressing at the same time intimidation on hostile armies: such, and other virtues, this hunting is calculated to ensure. Even gambling reveals the incomparable largeness (*i. e.* unbounded munificence) of one’s mind on account of the abandonment of a heap of wealth as so much straw; it gives power not to yield to joy or sorrow (*i. e.* good or ill luck), owing to the instability of victory or defeat; besides, it kindles to a great extent anger (high-spiritedness), the only main-spring of manliness: it endows one with infinite acuteness of intellect, on account of the marking of subtle tricks, difficult to be observed, used in the handling of dice and moving the pieces in squares. One acquires wonderful power of concentrating the mind, as it has to be fixed on one object, and an extreme love for adventures which depend upon determined perseverance; one becomes

unassailable, as one has often to face very rough persons ; besides, one knows definitely what self-respect is, and one can maintain the body with a noble dignity. The enjoyment of beautiful damsels is but making the two objects of wealth and virtue yield their fruit ; it reveals a great pride in manhood, skill in knowing the inner sentiments, freedom of action not hampered by greed, and cleverness in all the arts ; it offers full scope for eloquence and ingenuity, as measures have to be constantly devised for gaining the damsel loved, preserving her when acquired, enjoying her when preserved, pleasing her when enjoyed, and pacifying her when offended ; owing to the body being excellently decorated (for her sake), it gives one an imposing look on account of the winsome dress (appearance) ; it creates affection for friends, a high regard for attendants, sweetness of address (*lit.* speaking with a smile preceding it), an exuberance of spirit (*or*, vitality), and a behaviour marked by courtesy ; (but, above all), by the generation of progeny, it becomes the source of felicity both here and in the next world. As regards drinking, it long preserves youth, owing to the use of liquors of various sorts so effective in removing diseases of various kinds, and dissipates anxiety of every kind, as it engenders an overwhelming sense of self-sufficiency ; it stimulates one's capacity to enjoy beautiful damsels, as it inflames the passion of love ; it removes the darts from (*i. e.* anything rankling in) the mind, as it blots out from memory the crimes committed ; it increases a sense of confidence, inspired by the free talks that indicate candour (*lit.* absence of cunning) ; it creates unmixed joy, as it cuts short all feeling of envy ; by it one can have the uninterrupted enjoyment of all the objects of sense, such as sound and others ; as it induces the habit of distribution, it enlarges the circle of one's friends, imparts incomparable beauty to the limbs, leads to unsurpassed blandishments, and makes a man fit for the battle-field, as it takes away all sense of fear. Harshness of speech, severe punishment, and imposition of money-penalty, are themselves of service, as occasion arises, to a king ; for a king devoted to a life of peace like a saint can neither keep in check his foes nor carry on the administration of his kingdom properly." The king followed his advice like the instructions of a Guru, and the people imitating the king throw off all restraint and became universally licentious. All being equally guilty, nobody tried to poke at the vices of others ; the administrators

of different departments, acting in imitation of the king and the subjects, devoured the fruits of their offices; then gradually all the channels of revenue were closed, and those of expenditure multiplied, day by day, owing to the subserviency of the king to rogues; the feudatory princes, as well as the chief officers of the state, being fully trusted by the king owing to parity of pursuits and admitted to drinking parties in company with their wives, abandoned their usual observances. The king under various disguises held intercourse with their wives; and these latter, being free from fear, enjoyed various pleasures in the company of the inmates of the royal harem who had abandoned their character. All women of family, taking pleasure in the witty talk (*or*, coaxing words) of the lewd, breaking through all reserve (*lit.* hold on their character), listened to the intrigues of their lovers, in utter defiance of their husbands (*lit.* considering them not worth even a straw); then angry affrays proceeding from such practices became frequent; the weak were assaulted by the strong; the rich were robbed of their money by thieves; all fear of reproof being removed, the paths of sin were freely trodden (*i. e.* all led sinful lives). The people, with their kinsmen killed, deprived of their riches, and distressed by murder and unlawful confinement, piteously cried aloud. Inordinate and unjust punishment gave rise to fear and disaffection. The families, that were reduced to poverty, grew avaricious; and the spirited, who were disrespected, burned with indignation (*i. e.* smarted under the infliction of insult). Intrigues of the enemy succeeded in bringing to pass foul deeds of every kind. Then the agents of the king of As'maka, employed to administer poison, and others (entrusted with similar duties), reduced Anantavarman's army to sore straits, its principal warriors being killed, by inducing some to enter mountain-valleys full of dry grass and clumps of bamboo-trees and affording no passage out, by giving lively descriptions of hunting dresses and the abundance of game therein and then setting fire to them at the very entrance; by urging some to kill tigers and such other beasts, and then letting them fall into the jaws of the same; by making some go so far off in search of a desirable well to gratify their thirst, that they eventually sank under extreme hunger and thirst; by diverting some to run along perilous paths that would cause a fall into pits or from precipices covered over with straw and leaves; by extracting

thorns from the feet of some, with poisoned lancets; and by killing with ease some when left all alone, their followers being cut off from them, having to run in different directions; by purposely discharging arrows at some under the pretext that they missed to hit the bodies of the deer; having with a wager ascended along with some the peaks of mountains, very difficult to mount, and then by thrusting them down without being noticed by anyone else; by waylaying some who had a spare following, under the guise of mountaineers; and by making some forcibly enter crowds gathered on the occasions of gambling, bird-fights, fairs and festivities, (and getting them) killed by causing injury to others. They secretly caused damage to be done to people, and openly receiving complaints from them, and having communicated the same to witnesses, they made some bolt away as the means of hiding their disgrace; they induced some, who were sensualists, to approach others' wives as their friends, and killed the paramours, the husbands, or both (as was possible), giving out that theirs was that desperate deed; they ignominiously murdered many who were lured to appointed places by means of attractive women, by first lying there concealed and suddenly attacking them; they enticed some to caverns and then worked their destruction, accomplished under the pretext of accidents met with while digging for a treasure, or acquiring some superhuman power by means of incantations; (they destroyed the army) by urging some to ride furious elephants, and then refraining from taking counter-measures (*i. e.* allowing them to be destroyed by the elephants); by rousing to anger a mad elephant, and then letting him on the bodies of the chief persons as a mark of his vengeance; by secretly killing those who quarrelled over ancestral property, and then casting the ignominy on their opponents; by privately killing many profligates in the towns of the feudatory princes, and then announcing the names of their foes (as the perpetrators of the crime); by causing some to catch consumption by inducing them to indulge day and night in the company of women whose bodies were saturated with poison; by the aggravations of the diseases (of some) under the pretence of treating them, by their skill in saturating with poison clothes, ornaments, garlands and unguents (they were made to wear); and by (many) other means.

Vasantabhānu now incited Bhānuvarman, the king of Vanavāsī, and made him wage war with Anantavarman. Anantavarman, having the border of his kingdom invaded, mobilized his army to march against him. Vasantabhānu came first of all the feudatory princes, and became a great favourite with the king; other princes, too, soon joined him. Having marched out, they encamped at a short distance on the bank of the Narmadā. At that time Anantavarmā called Kshmatālorsāśī (Urvaśī-on-earth), a female dancer in the service of the chief feudatory prince, Avantideva, the ruler of Kuntala, whose mastery of the art of dancing was highly praised by Ohandrapālita and others, and enjoyed the sight of her dance; and being passionately attached to her, he enjoyed her while she was under the influence of liquor. Vasantabhānu, the ruler of Āsmaka, saw Kuntalapati in private, and said—"This haughty tyrant violates our females; how can we bear such insults? I have one hundred elephants and you have five hundred; let us, therefore, join together and plot with Vīrasena, the chief of Muralā, Ekavīra, the ruler of Ṛishika, Kumāragupta, the ruler of Konkan, and Nāgapāla, the prince of Nāsikya. They, too, being impatient of insult, will surely follow our counsel. Besides, this Vanavāsī king is my beloved friend. Engaged by him in front, we shall strike this wicked tyrant in the rear. We shall then distribute his treasure and vehicles among ourselves." When he, being delighted, approved of this plan, he won over to his side through confidential agents—sending as presents twenty rich garments and twenty-five saffron-coloured shawls with gold borders—all the other feudatory princes also. The following day Anantavarmā fell a prey to those princes and to the Vānavāsya, as he was totally averse to the science of politics. Vasantabhānu, having taken into his possession his dispersed treasure and transport, proposed that it should be divided among all according to their respective power, expressing at the same time his desire of being content with whatever portion they may be pleased to give him; pleasing all with this stratagem, and holding forth that as a bait (bone of contention), he stirred up a quarrel among the princes, brought about the destruction of all, and seized for himself all their wealth. He gave a small portion of it to Vānavāsya, and, marching back, established himself in the kingdom of Anantavarman.

In the meantime, the old minister, Vasurakshita, in conformity with some hereditary servants of the king, managed to escape, taking with him this youth, Bhâskaravarman, and his elder sister Mañjuvâdinî, about thirteen years old, along with the queen Vasumdhârâ, their mother; but, as it was fated to happen, he died of a burning fever. Friends like me took the queen to Mâhishmatî and consigned her with her children to Mitravarmān, her husband's brother by another mother, for protection. He, however, wicked that he was, entertained sinister motives regarding the noble queen; and when he was repulsed, he through cruelty wished to put her son to death, saying to himself—"She, of unviolated chastity, means to raise her son to the throne." When the queen knew it, she said to me, "Dear Nâlîjaṅgha, fix upon some (safe) place and dwell with the prince there, while he is alive. If I live, I shall soon follow him; when you will go safely, let me know the news about you." I somehow led him out of the crowded palace and plunged into the Vindhya forest. As he was fatigued by walking on foot, I gave him rest, that he might regain vigour (by staying) in a hamlet of shepherds. But there, too, apprehending an attack by the officers of the king, I travelled to a long distance. In our journey, wishing to give the boy water as he was oppressed by dreadful thirst, I lost my balance and fell into this well, and was thus favoured by you. You yourself should now be the protector of this helpless prince." With these words he folded his hands before me; and when I asked to what family his mother belonged, he replied that she was the daughter of Kusumadhanvan, king of Kosala, by Sâgaradattâ, daughter of Vais'ravana, a merchant of Pâtaliputra. Saying—"If it is so, his mother and my father had the same maternal grandfather," I embraced him very affectionately. The old man asked me which of the sons of Sindhudattâ was my father, and he was very pleased when he knew that it was Suśruta. I vowed that I would raise my little kinsman to the throne of his father by removing, by policy alone, the king of Āsmaka, who was very proud of his strategy; and then I began to think of how I should appease his hunger. At this moment, there came up two deer, having outstripped three shafts of some huntsman. I snatched from his hands his bow and the remaining two arrows, and shot them (the two deer). One of them fell with the arrow piercing him to its feathery part, the other

with the arrow piercing him through so as to leave its feathers behind. One I gave to the hunter ; the other I skinned and cleaned. Then removing the entrails and dissecting it, I removed the thighs, bones, neck &c., and spitting it with a stake roasted it on the embers of a wild fire ; and we gratified our hunger with the flesh. I then asked the forester, who was highly pleased with my skill, if he knew of the affairs at MĀhishmatī. He replied that he did, since he had just come from the place, having been there to sell tiger-skins and leather-bags ; and that the city was astir with a festival, as Prachanḍavarman, the brother of Ohaṇḍavarman, was to come there for espousing Mañjuvādinī, the daughter of Mitravarman. I then (on hearing this) spoke in the ears of the old man—"By treating the daughter affectionately, clever Mitravarman wishes to gain the confidence of the mother, and through her recover the person of the prince, so that he may put him to death. Go back to the queen, and tell her privately of your safety and my own account ; then, in concert with her, give out that the prince has been killed by a tiger. That villain (Mitravarman), pleased at heart, will apparently show himself to be grieved, and will endeavour to pacify the queen. Then the queen should speak to him through you, that the prince for whose sake she had rejected his proposal was dead through her sin ; she was therefore, ready that day to do his wish. Thus addressed, he will be pleased and will make advances to her. Then let her dip a necklace in water mixed with this poison named Vatsanābha, and strike him on the breast with it, saying—"If I am faithful to my lord, may this wreath be as a sword unto thee." Let her then again wash the garland in water mixed with this drug, and present it to the princess. Finding him (Ohaṇḍavarman) dead and her unaffected by it, the subjects will necessarily believe the queen to be a Pativrata, and will abide by her will. She should then send word to Prachanḍavarman to accept the princess along with the kingdom, now without a ruler. In the meantime we will arrive in the disguise of Kāpālika mendicants, receive alms from the queen, and take our station in the cemetery outside the city. Let the queen again say in private to the aged citizens, mostly noble-minded, and old ministers who are interested in her—"The goddess Vindhyaśinī has done a great favour to me in a dream, saying—"Prachanḍavarmā will die on the fourth

day from to-day; on the fifth day, from out of my temple on the bank of the Revá, when people will retire home and there will be no one, a Bráhmaṇa youth will issue out in company with your son. He will save this kingdom and will establish your son in sovereignty. I in the form of a tigress had carried off your son, in order to conceal him from his foes. I have also ordained that the princess Mañjudādinī shall be the wife of that Bráhmaṇa youth.' You should keep all this a secret until it comes off to be true." The old man, being highly pleased with my plans, started off, and our purpose was effected fully to our expectations. And the people began to talk everywhere, saying—"Oh, the great power of the Pativrataś! For, the garland when thrown upon him (the king) proved to be the stroke of a sword; and it cannot be said that there was fraud in it, since the same when given to her daughter became the ornament of her neck. (Therefore), whosoever will transgress the words of this Pativrataś will be reduced to ashes."

Now, on seeing me and her son enter the palace for alms in the disguise of great ascetics, the Queen, with her breasts oozing out milk, rose up in joy and said—"Revered Sir, here I fold my hands before you; be pleased to take this helpless person in your favour, and tell me if what I have seen in a dream would come true or not." I replied that she would see the fruit of it that very day. At this she said—"If it is so, great is the good fortune of this your humble servant! For that dream foretells a protector for this (my daughter) here." With those words she caused Mañjuvādinī, who was confused by the rise of love at my sight, to bow to me, and once more said with suppressed joy—"If the dream proves false, this young ascetic, your follower, will be arrested by me to-morrow." I, too, whose stability of mind was shaken by Mañjuvādinī's glance (*lit.* eye) full of (*lit.* steeped in) love, said smilingly—"So let it be." Having got alms I departed, making a sign to Nālijaṅgha to follow us. Then I gently asked him, as he followed me, where the renowned Prachandavarmá, of short life, was. He replied that he was in the reception hall of the royal palace, amusing himself in the company of the dancers (*or*, singers), now quite sure (*or*, free from fear) that the overignty was his. "If it be so, wait in the garden;"—so saying to the old courtier, I deposited all our chattels in an empty temple on one side of the wall, and having left the

prince to guard them, I put on the gay attire of a dancer, and came to Prachandavarman and diverted him. When it was sunset, I performed in various styles dancing and singing, and imitated different voices, calculated to add to the knowledge of the multitude, and then displayed different athletic feats, such as jumping on hands, raising my legs up, and whirling my head while my palms rested on the ground, and also raising up one leg and contracting the other (or, pressing together the feet) and dancing sideways, as well as moving like a scorpion, or leaping like a crocodile, or darting like a fish. I then borrowed the daggers of the persons near me, and fixing them all round my body, displayed various feats not easy to perform, such as the swoop of a hawk or the flight of an osprey. Whilst thus engaged, I struck Prachandavarman, although he was at a distance of twenty yards, on the breast with a poniard, exclaiming, 'May Vasantabhānu live a thousand years!' One of the bard-warriors tried to strike me, but I at once jumped on the top of his fat shoulders, making him senseless by that much, and the frightened multitude look up. I then leapt over the wall of the height of two men. I plunged into the (adjacent) garden, and having just said to Nālījaṅgha—'This my path can be seen by my pursuers,' I ran in the eastern direction, through a Tamāla bower lying along the rampart, while the marks of my foot-steps were levelled by Nālījaṅgha; and then turning to the south I made off, my track not being noticed owing to the ground being paved with bricks; and at last leaping over the rampart and the encircling ditch, I quickly entered the temple. Then having put on my former (i. e. mendicant's) garb, I, in the company of the Prince, repaired to the region of the cemetery, having found my way with difficulty at the royal gate tumultuously crowded owing to my daring deed. In the temple of Durgā, which stood there, I had already dug up a cavity (leading from the outside to) just below the pedestal of the image, with its outer entrance concealed with a large slab of stone, its sides being set loose (*lit.* having their firmness broken).

Then, as midnight was passing, we, having put on the silken dresses, with ornaments of very costly gems, brought to us by a (confidential) eunuch (from the queen), entered that chasm and remained there all still. The queen, having caused the previous day the funeral ceremonies for

Prachandvarman to be fittingly performed, and sent word to Ochanḍavarman that his fate was due to the contrivance of the ruler of Aśmaka, came, early in the morning of the next day, as had been previously arranged, to the temple with her ministers, worshipped the goddess, and got it ascertained in the presence of all the people that the surrounding room of the shrine was unoccupied, remained waiting, in company of the people, with her gaze fixed (on the closed door), and ordered the drums to be beaten loudly. Receiving the signal at the sound that reached me through a very minute clink, I lifted up with my head the iron pedestal along with the image, and placed it aside, holding one part of it with my two arms although it was too heavy even for a muscular man to be removed with effort, and issued out and also took out the prince. After replacing Durgā as before, I opened the door (of the sacred closet), and appearing before all, addressed the subjects, who, filled with astonishment, bowed to me, with their eyes directed to me owing to the realization of the vision, with horripilation clearly visible and folded hands raised up (to their brow):—"The goddess Vindhyaśinī thus orders you through me—"This prince was in distress; out of pity I, in the form of a tigress, kept him concealed; here I return him to you to-day. Knowing that his maternal party is not weak, as he is considered by me as my son, you should acknowledge him as such.' Besides, you have to consider me as his protector, whose spirit is able to smash the pot in the form of Aśmaka, cruel by his intrigue now brought to light by the desperate and deep-laid plot that he had cleverly hatched; and, as compensation for the protection extended to him by me, the goddess has allowed me to accept the hand of his sister, this beautiful-browed princess before you." Having heard it, the subjects exclaimed with delight—"Very fortunate, indeed, is the race of Bhoja, that has a guardian like you granted by the goddess!" As for my mother-in-law, she found herself in a stage of joy impossible to be described in words, and made me accept the very day the sprout-like hand of Mañjuvādini. When night fell, I closed the chasm entirely. The people too, who did not detect my trick, dared not transgress my commands, regarding me as a partial divine being on account of my telling what one had lost (or, what one had in one's clenched hand), or what one was thinking of and such other things—being employed as other means (of gaining the object). The

prince, too, came to be believed as the son of the goddess, a belief that was to contribute to his prosperity. On an auspicious day, having got him shaved, I had his thread-ceremony performed by the family-priest; and instructing him in politics, I carried on the work of administration. I thought—"A kingdom, as is well known, is maintained by three kinds of power; these powers are diplomacy, authority (or, regal power), and (personal) energy (activity); these, mutually assisting each other, dispatch all affairs. Diplomacy determines objects, authority commences them, and energy effects their attainment. For this reason, the tree of Policy serves an administrator a great deal: it has counsel consisting of five elements for its root; the twofold authority is its stem; the fourfold Utsāha (personal energy) forms its main branches; the seventy-two Prakritis (subjects) are its leaves, the six qualities of royalty its blossoms, power its flowers and success its fruit; and as it (the tree) is of a nature complex (*lit.* depends upon many supports), it is very hard to make it yield fruit (*lit.* to turn it to account) by one who has no one to back him up. It would be very good (*i.e.*, to our advantage) if we could win over to our side (secure the services of) A'ryaketu, the minister of Mitravarman, who was possessed of all the qualifications of a skilful counsellor, and who belonged to the side of the queen, being a native of the same country Kosala, since Mitravarman had come to ruin in consequence of his having disregarded his counsel." So thinking, I privately instructed Nālijaṅgha thus—"Friend, say to the evered A'ryaketu in private—"Who is this impostor (or, a man of marvellous powers) that has appropriated the sovereignty of this state? Moreover, this our prince has been entirely caught in his grip by this serpent. Will he disgorge the prince or swallow him?"—and tell me what he will say on hearing this." He one day brought me his report to this effect—"I waited upon him several times with presents, introduced various topics, shampooed his feet, and in an hour of great confidence asked him the question according to your instructions. A'ryaketu thus replied—"Good man, speak not in this manner. He is evidently descended from a noble (*lit.* pure) family; he has extraordinary acuteness of intellect; he possesses superhuman strength, a boundless nobility of mind, wonderful skill in missiles, not a little knowledge of the arts, and a mind always disposed to favour; while his prowess (lustre) is unbearable and

valiant enough to cope with (*i.e.*, quell) all his enemies. He thus combines in himself qualities, which it is very difficult to find in others even singly. He is a poisonous tree to the enemies (of the state), but a sandal tree (that would give its grateful shade) to those who approach him submissively; so regard Āsmaka, who vainly prides himself upon his being an adept in state-craft, as uprooted, and this prince as firmly and securely placed on the throne of his forefathers. You need not entertain doubt (as to his sincerity towards the prince and the state).” Having heard it, and having tested his sincerity by various trials, I admitted him as a colleague in state-craft. With his assistance, I secured the services of devoted and upright ministers and of spies under various disguises. With their help I knew which of the subjects were covetous and rich misers, which very proud, and which mostly refractory; and thinking that I might amass great wealth if I gave proofs of my own want of greed, inspired a sense of duty (among the people), tormented the heretics, cleared out all who stood like thorns in the way of the prosperity of the state, thwarted the secret plans of the foes, and firmly established the four castes in their respective religious spheres and duties—since all undertakings that are based on policy emanate from wealth, and that no sin would be worse than showing weakness in adhering to the principles of policy—I zealously took all the proper measures.

END OF THE DAŚAKUMA'RACHARITA.

UTTARAPI'THIKA'.

I then said to myself—“ All the brave servants of the state are so much attached to me that they would forsooth, at my word, count their life as no more than a blade of grass; besides, I am in no way inferior to Vasantabhānu, the king of Āsmaka, having at my command the well-equipped armies of both the kingdoms, and I am also well adept in policy. I am, therefore, powerful enough to reinstate Bhāskaravarman, the son of Anantavarman, the king of Vidarbha, in the seat of his ancestors, after having defeated Vasantabhānu. Besides, the report that I am appointed as a guardian to this prince, and that he has been adopted as her son by the goddess Durgā, has gained ground everywhere. Besides, nobody as yet knows anything of my deceitful deed. The people here have a confirmed hope in this prince Bhāskaravarman that he would, through the favour of Durgā, surely regain the kingdom of

his father, Anantavarman. The army of As'maka too, knowing full well the help that the goddess Durgâ accords to the prince, seems to be uncertain in its resolution to fight with us, since it thinks that human power can hardly prevail against divine power. Here also, the hereditary ministers, who were already desirous of the rise of the prince are now particularly zealous in their desire to have the prince, as king, being again received into confidence by me by means of gifts and honours. My most trusted servants, too, at my bidding, have inspired love into the minds of the confidential servants of the prince of As'maka, after having made these overtures to them—"You are our friends, and hence we are bound to convey our advice to you calculated to lead to a blissful end. It is this—The goddess Durgâ, having appointed the well-known Vis'ruta as the guardian of the prince, has ordained that through his instrumentality Vasantabhânu, and those who, taking his side, would fight with him, would have to see the abode of Yama. So before he is inclined to take arms against the king of As'maka, you should enrol yourselves as the followers of Bhâskaravarman, the son of Anantavarman. He (who will come over to his side) will be out of the reach of danger, and being rewarded with great honour will live in happiness with his servants; or else he will fall beneath the trident of Bhavânî. (He told us also) that Bhavânî had commanded him to inform all once of this; and knowing, therefore, of our friendship with you, she has communicated this message to you through us" Hearing this, the confidential servants of the king of As'maka, who were already shaken in their loyalty in consequence of their knowledge of the boon of Bhavânî to the prince, came over to my side all in a body, when they received this message particularly from me. The king of As'maka, when he learnt all this, thought—"All the hereditary subjects desire to have this prince for their master; my servants, private as well as public, seem to be shaken in their attachment to me; so, if I remain apathetic to all this, sitting in my palace, surely I shall not be able to save my own kingdom wherein seeds of dissension have been sown. Therefore, before (the prince) confers (gets an opportunity to confer) with my soldiers who are disaffected, and who would give out my intention, I should arrange to fight with him. If this much can be done, he will stand in front of me but for a moment." With this resolution, he, driven as it were into the jaws of death by the sin of unjustly

invading another's kingdom, marched with his army against our force. As soon as the prince knew that he was advancing, he went to meet him; all alone I rode on horseback to the king of As'maka as he was advancing. Then his whole army, deciding that there could be no other extraordinary reason than the boon of Durgá for my going to meet him all alone in the teeth of a numberless host of them, stood stupefied, as if drawn in a picture. I advanced and challenged Vasantabhānu to fight, who closing with me dealt me a hard blow with his sword. On account of my superior swordsmanship, I parried the blow, and having cut off the head of the As'maka king with one counter-stroke threw it on the ground, and thus addressed his soldiers—"Whoever of you now wish to fight with me, should forthwith come to do so in a body; or you should bow to the feet of the prince, and coming over to his side should enjoy the emoluments of your former offices, and discharging all the duties thereof live here in happiness." On hearing my words, all the servants of the king of As'maka immediately got down from their horses, bent themselves low before the prince, and acknowledged his sovereignty. Having then given the kingdom of As'maka entirely in the possession of the prince, and having appointed faithful officers to protect it, I marched in the company of the army of the king of As'maka, which had now become mine, towards Vidarbha, crowned Bhâskaravarman king in the capital, and seated him on the throne of his ancestors.

On one occasion, I requested the king as he was sitting in company of Vasumatî, his mother, thus—"I wish to achieve a purpose which I have undertaken; and so long as it is not accomplished, it is not possible for me to stay in one place. So let my wife Mañjuvâdinî, your sister, stay with you for some days. I will wander over the earth until I find the person I am in search of, and having found him will join you again here." Upon this the king, with the approval of his mother, said to me—"That we find ourselves in this festivity of the recovery of our kingdom is but due to your extraordinary help. We can hardly bear the yoke of this kingdom even for a moment in your absence. We wonder why you should thus propose to us." On hearing this I replied—"You should not entertain even a particle of anxiety on that account. A'rvaketu, whom you have in your palace and who is a minister of rare ability, is capable of bearing the yoke of kingdoms, more than one, like this. I shall appoint him to carry on the administration, and depart."

Although I tried to persuade the king with such and other words, the king, as well as his mother, prevailed upon me after many entreaties to postpone my departure for some days to come. He, moreover, gave to me the kingdom of Prachandavarman, the king of Utkala. Just as I was making preparations to depart in search of Your Highness after having taken charge of the kingdom and taken leave of the king, I was called by Simhavarman, the lord of the Aṅgas, to lend him succour, whom I joined here; and through the fruit of my previous religious merit, I came to be united with Your Highness.'

Then the princes, Apahâravarmaṇ, Upahâravarmaṇ, Arthapâla, Pramati, Mitragupta, Mantragupta and Viś'ruta, who had now met together, had prince Somadatta brought over to them with his wife by servants from Pâtaliputra where he was enjoying the heir-apparentship, and who had previously promised to meet them in one place. And while they were enjoying joyful conversation with Râjavâhana, the king's officers came over from Pushpapura, bearing a letter of command from king Râjahamṣa, and bowing respectfully before Râjavâhana, said—"Lord, here is a letter containing the order of Râjahamṣa, your father; please take it." Hearing it he got up, again and again respectfully bowed before the assembly, and took up the letter. Touching it with his forehead and then taking it down, Râjavâhana read it aloud while all there listened:—"King Râjahamṣa from the capital of Pushpapuri is pleased, after sending his hearty blessings to them, to write this letter to the princes, Râjavâhana and others, now residing in the city of Champâ. Having learnt, from some of the soldiers that had returned, that all of you first encamped in a forest-region near the temple of Śiva after your departure from here with our permission, and that the rest of the princes, having been unable to find in the morning prince Râjavâhana, who had remained in the temple of Śiva for adoration the previous night, swore that they would either bow before (me) Râjahamṣa in company of Râjavâhana or else would give up their lives, sent back the army and started off separately in quest of him,—I myself and your mother were both plunged in the ocean of unbearable sorrow. Having then decided to give up our lives after communicating the news to Vâmadeva, we went to his hermitage. As we stood up, after having bowed to him, the omniscient sage knew both our object and our dreadful resolve,

and said—"King, I knew all that you had purposed to do, by my power of pronotion. Now these princes, having experienced some distress for some time on Rājavāhana's account, and then by force of good fortune having secured for themselves various kingdoms after conquering the quarters by means of their uncommon valour, will, at the end of the sixteenth year, return with victorious Rājavāhana, and having bowed down to your and Vasumatī's feet, will act as you will direct. It is, therefore, quite inadvisable to stake anything on their account." Hearing this, we took courage, and supported our lives till this day, fully trusting his words. Then, as the expiry of the period drew near, we went to Vāmadeva's hermitage and preferred our request to him that the period he had previously mentioned had almost been over, and inquired of him whether he knew of your whereabouts. Consequently, the sage replied—"O king, all the princes, Rājavāhana and others, having conquered the quarters after having overcome many powerful foes and having subdued the earth, are living together now in Ohampā; dispatch immediately couriers with a written order to convey them here." Accordingly, we have sent our order to bring you over here; and if you now delay even for a moment, you will surely hear us to be mentioned in talks only (*i.e.*, you will not find us living); bearing this in mind, you should forthwith start, even postponing your drink for the road." Having unhesitatingly and reverentially obeyed this order (*iti*, holding it on their heads), the princes resolved to go, and having appointed trusty and capable men with sufficient troops to keep the conquered kingdoms in order, and having guarded their way with a portion of the army, they started in the company of their wives with a limited number of soldiers for the Mālava king, resolved to conquer Mānasāra, their original foe, and to subjugate his kingdom also, and then to bow to the feet of Rājahansa and queen Vasumatī. Having reached Ujjayinī, Rājavāhana, attended by the princes, easily defeated Mānasāra, although he was very powerful, and slew him too. Then the princes took over his daughter, Avantisundarī, and having released prince Pushpodbhava, who had been put into prison with his family by Ohaṇḍavarman, his minister, took him with themselves, appointed some soldiers to keep the newly-conquered kingdom of Mālwa in check, arrived at Pushpapura with a limited part of the army that was

left, and with Râjavâhana at their head bowed to the feet of Râjahansa and Vasumatî, the mother of Râjavâhana. These latter too found themselves in greatest joy at the recovery of their son. Then in the presence of the king and the queen, Vâmadeva, knowing the desire of all of the ten princes, addressed them:—

“All of you should now go to your respective kingdoms, and rule them with righteousness. You should come to salute the feet of your parents, whenever you would like to see them again.”

Then the princes bowed to the sage and their parents, and separately narrated their accounts in the presence of the sage in detail. The parents, too, having heard their miraculous deeds indicative of their valour, were greatly thrilled with joy. Then the king humbly said to the sage—“Revered Sir, by your favour we have enjoyed the greatest happiness, that is over and above man’s desire, and defeats (i.e. stands beyond) all thought and expression; now it is proper for us to enter the stage of forest-life in the proximity of the feet of Your Worship, and work for final emancipation. So Your Worship, having installed Râjavâhana on the throne of Pushpapura and of Mânasâra, and having given the remaining kingdoms to the other nine princes, should so arrange it that all of them would be obedient and faithful to Râjavâhana, and acting in perfect accord with him would enjoy the earth engirdled by the four oceans, after having uprooted their foes.”

When Vâmadeva saw how persistently the princes were opposed to the plan of their parents for entering the life of foresters, he said to them—“Princes, you should not come in the way of your father, who is now by age fit for renunciation; he will remain with me in my hermitage without having to subject himself to any bodily mortification. Stationed here, he will be attached to the service of God; and you, too, will not enjoy happiness in the presence of your parents.”

Knowing the command of the great sage, they gave up their persistence in their opposition to their father’s plan of entering forest-life. Having established Râjavâhana in Pushpapura, all his vassals also well protected their respective kingdoms according to his direction, and saw their parents at intervals whenever they wished. Thus the princes, Râjavâhana and others, entirely acting in one accord while they protected the earth with justice under the suzerainty of Râjavâhana, enjoyed the pleasures of kingdoms, which were even unattainable to Indra and others.

FINIS.

NOTES.

P. 1. दशकुमारचरितम्—This is to be explained as दश च ते कुमारश्च दशकुमारं तस्य चरितानि दशकुमारचरितानि । दान्यधिकृत्य कृतं कान्यम् । The Taddhita affix अण्, which would have been added by Pāp. IV. 3. 87, is elided by a Vārttika of Kātyāyana (लुबास्यायिकाभ्यां बहुलम्), so that there is no Vriddhi of the first vowel. It is also possible to explain the title as (1) दशकुमाराणां चरितं दशकुमारचरितम्, and this word being transferred by Lakṣhaṇā to the work describing the deeds;—or as (2) दशकुमाराणां चरितानि यस्मिन्काव्ये तद् दशकुमारचरितम्. पूर्वपीठिका—the introductory portion; cf. the उत्तरपीठिका which is appended at the end. The original work of Daṇḍin, which begins on p. 54, has neither beginning nor end, which are respectively supplied by the पूर्व० and the उत्तर०. उच्छ्वास—the chapters of an *A'khyāyikā* (like the Daśak.) are technically so called. See Introd. Following the common practice of ancient writers the author (who was a Vaiṣṇava) pays his tribute of veneration to his favourite deity, at the same time invoking a blessing on his readers. He also pays homage to the name of Daṇḍin, the original writer of the *Charita*, as shown by the conscious use of the word दण्ड in the various epithets occurring in the benedictory stanza.

•च्छत्रदण्डः—The meaning is that Viṣṇu is the mainstay of the universe. शतधृति is here a name of Brahmā. Cf. महिम्न० Śl. 18. It is also and was originally an epithet of Indra, being the god of 'infinite wisdom;' see our note on शतक्रतु at Ragh. III. 38. अम्भोरुह—the commoner form of this word is अम्भोरुह. In शतधृति० there is a reference to the mythological story of Brahmā being born from a lotus springing from the navel of Viṣṇu, in which he also resides. कूपदण्ड—the main mast, अक्षदण्डः—the pole-staff, axle. •स्तम्भदण्डः—Viṣṇu's foot is the giver of victory to its worshippers. त्रैविक्रमः—त्रयो विक्रम अस्य त्रिविक्रमस्तस्यायम्; of Trivikrama. Viṣṇu in his fifth (Vāmana) incarnation was called त्रिविक्रम 'he who took three strides' (with which he covered the three worlds). For the whole story see our note on the word at Ragh. VII. 35. Perhaps in the word त्रैविक्रम 'the result of the exploits of three men,' we have a reference to the present work, the out-come of the literary labours of three workmen. कालदण्डः—the death-

dealing, destructive, rod. The stanza indicates the conquest of the world by Rájaváhana, the hero of the work, and his final triumph over all his enemies.

निकषायमाणा—*Lit.* serving as a touchstone, i. e. standard to; hence, the perfect model of (a prosperous city). Pres. part. fem. of the denominative formed from निकष a touchstone (निकष इव आचरतीति), according to कर्तुः क्यङ् सलोपश्च Pān. III. 1. 11. शश्वत्—‘At all times’—shows that the fortunes of its merchants were not subject to variation, but constant. स्थाख्यात—which served as a commentary on, i. e. adequately explained, proclaimed. रत्नाकर—*Lit.* the mine of jewels—the ocean, so called being supposed to be the source of all kinds of jewels. It may also mean, ‘its jewel-mines.’ मगध—The ancient name of Behar, extending as far as Káshmir or Punjab. कुसुमपुरी—the modern Pátná; also called Kusumapura; see p. 125 *infra*. It is more generally known as Pátaliputra, the ancient capital of Magadha, situated near the confluence of the Ganges and the Soná. It is said to have been destroyed by a river-inundation about the middle of the eighth century A. D. See our note on पाटलिपुत्र at Mudr. p. 70.

वीर &c.—The enemy’s army is compared to the sea—the heroic warriors moving in lines are its heaving waves, the horses and elephants its sharks and alligators—and the king’s arm to the mountain Mandâra. The meaning is that the king was able single-handed, to defeat the whole army of his enemies. The idea is the same as that expressed in Ragh. I. 19.

P. 2. जलनिधिमथन &c.—The reference is to the well-known story of the ocean being churned by the gods and the demons who used the mountain Mandâra as the churning rod. मन्दरावमाण—pres. part. from the denom. from मन्दर; cf. निकषायमाणा above. समुद्रवृद्ध—*Lit.*, ‘having a club raised;’ hence, fierce, terrible. गीर्वाणगणिका—the heavenly courtesans, the *apsarasas*; गीर्वाण means ‘a god’. जेगीयमानवा—(qualifying कीर्त्या) Instr. sing. fem. of the pres. part. from जेगीयते which is the Frequentative base of जे ‘to sing.’ अतिमानवा—explains रचितदिगन्तरालदूर्त्या and also why it reached heaven. Cf. Ragh. VI. 77. सरदिम्बु &c.—Sanskrit poets compare spotless, untarnished fame to white objects. Cf. हंसश्रेणीषु तारासु कुमुदसु च वारिषु । विभूतयस्तदीयानां पर्वस्ता यशसामिव ॥ Ragh. IV. 19. धनसार—camphor; धनो द्रुहः सारो यस्य, धनस्य सार इव वा । शीतत्वात्, शीताभ्राकार-त्वाच्च । Bhān. Dik. अजह्वल—the loud laugh of Śiva (at the time

of his vehement dance). Laughs and smiles are described by poets as 'white,' probably on account of the brightness of the face and whiteness of the teeth displayed therein. हासादीनां चावल्यं कविसमयसिद्धम् Malli. on Megh.—राशीभूतः प्रतिदिनमिव त्र्यम्बक-स्याद्हासः । I. 60. नीकाश—used only as the latter part of a comp.; this according to Amara is a Nityasamāsa (i. e. अव्ययवाचिभूतः). Cf. सुरुत्तरपदे स्वमी । निमसंकाशनीकाशप्रतीकाशोपमादयः । Amara.; अमी उत्तरपदस्था एव सद्दशवचना वाच्यलिङ्गाः स्युः । Com.

कीर्त्या सुरमितः—For the idea cf. 'सुरभिर्यज्ञोभिः' Ragh. II. 3, where Malli. says सुरभिर्यज्ञोभिः amiable. स्वर्लोक...रुचिर—large and beautiful like those on the peaks of mount Meru (स्वर्लोक). Cf. सद्रत्नमुक्ताफलवज्रभाजि...मेरोः शिरांसीव गृहाणि यस्याम् । Bhaṭṭi. I. 7. The word स्वर्लोक, which *lit.* means 'heaven,' is applicable to the mountain Meru because heaven (the residence of the gods) is situated on it ; cf. मेरुः सुमेरुर्हेमाद्रिः रत्नसागः सुरालयः Amara. धरणीरमणी—The earth is poetically spoken of as the wife of a king. Cf. Ragh. VI. 63, VIII. 83 &c.; Mālav. I. 15. ०सौभाग्य-भोगभाग्यवान्—The addition of the possessive affix वत् here to the preceding comp. which is a Karmadhāraya (०सौभाग्यभोगः एव भाग्यम्) is strictly ungrammatical by the maxim न कर्मधारया-गम्यर्थीयः बहुव्रीहिश्चेत्तदर्थप्रतिपत्तिकरः, i. e. a possessive affix should not be used after a Karm. if its sense could be had by means of a Bahuvrīhi (e. g. ०सौभाग्यभोगभाग्यः in this case). But the rule is not invariably observed by poets, and Patañjali himself has used similar formations in his Mbh. शिष्ट &c.—The best way of taking the comp. will be शिष्टः (adept in Vedic studies; see Manu. XII. 109 ; A'pastamba I. 7. 20. 8) च ते विशिष्ट-विद्यासंभारेण (by the load of the knowledge of the special branches of knowledge) भूसुराश्व. Or विशिष्ट may mean 'eminent' or excellent, and qualify भूसुर. सतततुलित &c.—The king *always* shone like the midday-sun. Mark the force of सतत. The brilliancy of the king's प्रताप was constant, not so is that of the sun; thus he was obviously superior to the sun. Cf. यस्य च प्रतापानलो दिवानिशं जङ्गल Kād. p. 12. Note the use of the word हंस in the unusual sense of 'the sun,' solely for the sake of alliteration with the word राजहंस which follows. Similarly the word चन्द्रर्प in the next comp. has no propriety; it is added simply for the sake of the alliteration with कन्दर्प. सौदर्य—समाने उदरे शयितः सौदर्यः (also समानौदर्यः); a co-uterine brother. Here the sense is that of 'allied to,' 'similar,' since co-uterine brothers

resemble each other ; cf. सनाभि below. निरवद्य—flawless, without a blemish. अवद्य (Pot. p. of वद्) means ‘what is not fit to be spoken,’ what is censurable. Distinguish this from अनुद्य, another Pot. part. derived from वद् which simply means ‘what ought not to be spoken.’ अवद्य पापम् । गर्ह्यं किम् । अनुद्यं गुरुनाम । तद्धि न गर्ह्यं वचनानर्हं च । Sid.—Kau. on अवद्यपण्यवर्या गर्ह्यपणितव्यानि रोधेषु । Pān. III. 1. 101. Cf. Kum. III. 57. सुमती—also used for the purpose of alliteration (though defensible). It should rather be सुमतिः. वसुमतीव—*v. l.* ‘Like the earth’. But this will be tautological, as the same idea has already occurred in l. 5 above. षोडशरमणी—Mark the Saṃdhi.

P. 3. मस्मीकृत—Again the poet’s fondness for alliteration leads him to use a word which can only be taken with चेतन in its metaphorical sense (that of ‘destroyed’). We shall meet with several instances of the kind hereafter, which the critical student should notice for himself. For the destruction of Kāma see Kum. III. 72. भयेन—Construe this with समसुवन्. अनवद्या—प्रशस्ता ; hence अध्वर्या. The idea very beautifully expressed here is that Kāma’s रोलम्बावली and other accompaniments clung to her, the best of ladies, believing that woman-kind enjoyed an exemption from a hostile attack. तस्याः—goes with केशजालं &c. रोलम्बावली—See com. Kāma’s bow-string is poetically described as sometimes decked with (as here), but more often as formed of, black bees. Cf. मौर्वीमधुकरपङ्क्ति &c. *infra* p. 44 ; अलिपङ्क्तिरनेकशस्त्रवया गुणकृत्ये धनुषो नियोजिता । Kum. IV. 15. Also Rīt. VI. 1. The sense is that her hair was as deep-dark as bees. प्रेमाकर—brought in simply for *anuprāsa*. विजितारं—Her face combined in itself the beauty of the moon and the lotus. The idea is the same as in चन्द्रं गता पद्मगुणाञ्च युक्ते पद्माश्रिता चान्द्रमसीमभिरुयाम् । उमासुखं तु प्रतिपद्य लोला द्विसंभ्रया मीतिमवाप लक्ष्मीः ॥ Kum. I. 43.

आयायुतः—This is necessary to account for the duality. अङ्गवीर—The principal or chief warrior. Mark the meaning of अङ्ग here. It usually means ‘subordinate’ (opp. to प्रधान), but here it means ‘subordinate to the master alone.’ मलयसमीरः—suggests fragrance, gentleness &c. Sanskrit poets describe the breezes from the Malaya mountain, cool and surcharged with the fragrance of sandal, as peculiarly affecting persons in a love-sick condition and inflaming their passion ; cf. वहति मलयसमीरे मदनमुपनिधाय । स्फुटति कुसुमनिकरे विरहिहृदयदलनाय ॥ Gīt. V. ०करवाल—a saw. The sight of the पवाल (especially that

of the mango-tree) causes anguish in the hearts of people absent on a journey. अधरविम्बम्—her red lower lip. Cf. ब्रूतमवालोलमलचकार Kum. III. 30. जयशङ्खः &c.—A conch-shaped neck, i. e. one a little tapering above and marked with three lines like a shell, is considered a mark of great beauty and regarded as the sign of good fortune. Cf. words like कम्बुकण्ठी, श्रीवा, &c. बन्धुर—may be taken in the sense of 'tapering' (उन्नतानत) or 'beautiful' (सुन्दर) ; cf. Kum. I. 42, Śāk. VI. 12, Ragh. XIII. 47, &c. पूर्णकुम्भौ—see note on पूर्णसुवर्णकलशः p. 44 *infra*. ज्यायमान—pres. part. of the denom. ज्यायते from ज्या a bow-string ; ज्या इव आचरति ज्यायते. बाहु—the arms were tender and long. सनाभि—*Lit.* connected by the same navel, uterine (समानो नाभिर्यस्य); hence, closely related to, similar or like See note on नीकाश *supra*. A round and deep navel is considered a mark of beauty. Cf. नृपं तमावर्तमनोज्ञनाभिः &c. Ragh. VI. 52; दर्शितावर्तनाभेः Megh. I. 28; नाभिमण्डलीभावतिनीमुदहन्ती Kād. p. 281. जैत्रय—i. e. its wheel. The comparison of buttocks to the round wheels of a chariot is common in Sanskrit ; cf. Vikr. I. 11 (रथोपमश्रोण्याः). दुरीकृतः—Because the जघन which forms the car of Kāma kindles maddening passion (irresistible to ordinary ascetics). जयस्तम्भ—a pillar erected in order to commemorate a victory. "The pillars of victory which are found in the Presidency, *e. g.*, at Kapadavanj and Siddhapura and which belong to the times of the Ohâlukya dynasty of Anhilpur Pâtan, consist of two carved columns united by a Torana."—Bühler. The compounds ending in सूत should be noted; dissolve जयस्तम्भः सूतः जय०सूतः, सौन्दर्यं सूतः सौन्दर्यसूतः &c. These are known as सुसुसुत्तमासः; cf. Malli. on Kum. I. 59, and see our note on पुनरुक्तसूतं Ragh. V. 34. Kaiyaṭa takes the word सूत as equivalent to इव ; according to him the diss. would be जयस्तम्भ इव जयस्तम्भसूतः; but the first way is better. रम्भे च—Thighs tapering and plump like the trunk of the plantain-tree are regarded as a mark of beauty. Cf. रम्भोरु (Ragh. VI. 35 ; Śiś. VIII. 19 &c.). अल्लभूतानि प्रसूनानि—For these see com. These are sometimes differently mentioned as:—अरविन्दमशोकं च शिरीषं चतस्रुत्पलम् । पञ्चैतानि प्रकीर्यन्ते पञ्च० ॥ This shows that she was in budding youth. Cf. कुसुममिव लोमनीयं यौवनमङ्गेषु संनद्धम् । Śāk. I. 19. Cf. with the highly poetical description here the passage at pp. 43–45, describing the beauty of Avantisundarī where almost all the ideas and expressions occurring herein recur. अमरपुर—*is* Amarāvati, the residence of Indra. अनन्तभोग-लालिता—(1) fondled with endless enjoyments; (2) borne on his

hoods by Ananta (Śesha). See Com. for diss. The reference is to the belief that Śesha the serpent-king supports the earth on his hood; cf. आयस्तुजगराजमस्तक &c. on the next page. अन्वभावि—Is the Passive third pers. sing. of the Aorist of सू with अनु; mark our author's fondness for such passive forms, e. g. अभाणि (p. 10), समबोधि (p. 11), अगामि (p. 18) अवाचि (p. 31) &c.

परमविधेयः—Very obedient, i.e. always acting in conformity with the wishes of their lord—such as contributed to the wealth and prosperity of the kingdom. Cf. सदातुङ्गलेषु हि कुर्वते रतिं नृपेष्वमात्येषु च सर्वसंपदः । Kir. I. 5. धीरशीषणा०—Who on account of their deep political insight (lit. firm or well-perfected understanding) disposed of, with little difficulty, matters likely to require the serious attention even of Bṛihaspati.

P. 4. पुनरितिसत्त्ववर्णनौ &c.—The seven sons of the three ministers mentioned here have each a son, as will be discovered as the narrative develops, and thus furnish seven of the Kumāras who form the subject of the story. विट—a voluptuary, a person of dissolute habits, a rake. Etymologically विट is described as a procurer or a go-between (वेश्यानामरिकयोः परस्परं संदेशं विटति कथयति इति विटः). In Sanskrit dramas he is often introduced as the companion of a prince or of a dissolute young man or a courtesan, and living as a parasite on familiar terms with his associate. वारवारी—wife of the multitude; a harlot. अभ्रजन्मनोः—the elder brother meant here is Sumitra; see p. 125. पारावार—the sea, पारवावृणोतीति fr. पार+वृ+अण् (अ) कर्मणि; or पारावारवस्य स्तः इति । In ancient times Indian merchants carried on an extensive trade by sea. Cf. समुद्रम्वहारी सार्धवाहो घनमित्रो नाम &c. Śāk. VI. p. 167. पुरंदरपुरातिथिषु—is a euphemism for ' when they were dead.'

जानाविध०—See com.; better take रचितानि अगण्यानि जन्धानि (battles) वै: as a Bah. qualifying राजस्य. Such a description of the राजस्य contributes to the exaltation (उत्कर्ष) of the glory of the king. महदायुध—is a faulty comp.; it should be महायुध. This particular comp. may be defended, as Böhler suggests, by explaining it as महदानि (महं वदति तानि) आयुधानि ' weapons giving greatness or glory.' But this will be doubtless far-fetched. The author of the Pūrvapīṭhikā, though having an excellent command over the language, seems to be at times indifferent to the rules of grammar, as will be seen from his using such compounds as महदाशा p. 30, महदाश्वर्चान्वित p. 53, &c., and the promiscuous use of the two *padas* in a few places; see our note on

परीक्षन् p. 40. राजन्व्यः—Explain राज्ञः अपत्यं राजन्व्यः, a prince of the Kshatriya caste or royal blood. See Ragh. III. 48. The affix यत् is added to राजन् in the sense of अपत्य by Pāṇ. IV. 1. 137. Some derive it from राज् to shine and the Unādi affix अन्य-पालि—may mean (1) top, ridge, or (2) row; पालिः पङ्क्ति-प्रदेशयोः इति शाश्वतः ।

घस्मर—घसतीति. The aff. मर is added in the sense of ताच्छील्य; *lit.* a voracious eater; here metaphorically 'who habitually committed havoc in battles,' a great warrior. मग्नसारा—whose pride and power were excessive. According to the first way of taking the comp. (see com.) the meaning will be 'whose power simply lay in his excessive pride,' i. e. who was a vain boaster, or who derived his strength from his power. सहल—easily, from हेल meaning 'ease.' न्यक्कृत—(fr. न्यक् derived from न्यङ् and कृ) humbled, put down. Cf. न्यग्भावयिता राजन् *infra*, p. 187. इडिका-कर्णन—(इडिक sudden and violent + आकर्णन). The sudden hearing of a loud noise. 'Who were smitten with great terror' &c. Instead of the adj. इडिक some understand the noun इडिका, in which case we must explain the comp. as इडिका आकर्णन. Neither of these words is found in lexicons, though their derivation from इड 'violence' is obvious enough. दिग्दन्तावल—The guardian-elephants of the quarters. दन्तावल—'an elephant;' from दन्त + affix वलच्; दन्तशिखात्वंज्ञायाम्। Pāṇ. V. 2. 113. विचूर्णयन्—making them reel, throwing them into agitation. आवस्त—greatly taxing. सुजगराज—is Śeṣha the serpent-king; see note on अनन्तमोगलालिता above. बलेन—is redundant, having been added simply for alliteration.

P. 5. चतुरङ्ग—Consisting of the four elements, *viz.* elephants, horses (cavalry), charriot-warriors, and foot-men (infantry). Cf. हन्त्यम्बरयपादात् सेनाङ्गं स्याच्चतुष्टयम्। Amara. रोष—seems to be used here in the sense 'of a great passion for,' 'ambition.' Cf. the English 'rage' as in 'a rage for writing,' and Latin 'furor' as in 'furor loquendi.' अनेकप—an elephant, periphrastically used for द्विप for the sake of alliteration. सविमहः—embodied, incarnate. सामहः—with a determined purpose. भूवः—is without force, being simply added for alliteration. मन्धाराधीनमूले—This idea is common enough. Cf. Mudr. V. 23; Ragh. VII. 43.

नन्दपङ्क्तयः—Whenever a fight went on, the nymphs of heaven were supposed to gather in heaven and watch the course of

events on the battle-field in order to choose a lover from among the fallen warriors who also were supposed to assume a divine form. *Cf.* Ragh. VII. 53, and our note *ad loc.* The cloud of dust overhanging the battle-field is compared to a nuptial *mandapa* screening the *apsarasas*. जवनिका—(or यवनिका) a screen. व्याकुल—thickly spread. दिविषद्वानि—दिविषद् means 'a god;' दिवि सिद्न्तीति. अन्व means 'a way,' and the whole expression (*lit.* 'the path of the celestials') signifies 'the sky;' *cf.* the word सुरदरम which is given in Ak. as a synonym of the sky. दिविषद्वानि must be construed with the word विष्कन of the following compound, which is thus a सापेक्ष समास; 'which deafened all space with the roll of its drums that surpassed (*i.e.* drowned) all other sounds in the aerial region.' सखासखि, हस्ताहस्ति—see com. and Gr. § 259. जीवमाह—*Namul*. जीवतीति जीवः; जीवन्तं गृह्णातीत्यर्थः । The *namul* of गृह् is used when it has for its object जीव used as an उपपद; Pāṇ. III. 4. 36. See p. 136 *infra*, com.

अनन्वसासनां—not subject to another's rule; *i.e.* who was the supreme monarch. *Cf.* अनन्यशासनायुषी शशासैकपुरीमिव । Ragh. I. 30. नारायण—an epithet of Viṣṇu; for its derivation *cf.* आपो नारा इति प्रोक्ता आपो वै नरसूनुवः । ता यदस्यायनं पूर्वं तेन नारायणः स्युतः ॥ Ms. I. 10. देवेन—करणे तृतीया; 'by means of,' through; or सहार्थे तृतीया; 'together with' (देवेन सह). प्रभातसमये—is significant. There is a widespread belief that dreams visualized towards the close of the night generally prove true; *cf.* अवितथफलाश्च प्रायो निशावसानसमयदृष्टा भवन्ति स्वप्नाः । Kād. p. 65.

P. 6. पुष्पभूतं—is appropriate in connexion with the फल. *Cf.* Ragh. III. 1. संपन्न्यक्कृताखण्डलः—Who despised (*i.e.* far surpassed) Indra by reason of his wealth. निजसंपत् &c.—The repetition of the word संपत् again in the same line is inartistic. सीमन्तोत्सव—Also called सीमन्तोन्नयन or 'the parting of the hair' on each side of the head (which is its essential part) is one of the twelve ceremonies mentioned by Mann and performed in the sixth or eighth month of a woman's pregnancy. *Cf.* षष्ठेऽष्टमे वा सीमन्तो मासि । Yāj. I. 11.

ललाटतट—broad forehead. विरच्य—विरच्य to be got ready, *i.e.* with special preparation; विरच्य अर्चना तामर्हतीति. देवेन goes with विरच्य and the whole is a सापेक्ष समास. सम्यग्ज्ञात &c.—having recognized him to be one of his spies in that disguise. For the employment of spies see Kām. Nṛt. XII. 26.

सापदेश—under disguise; अपदेश *lit.* means 'a pretext;' व्याजो-
पदेशो लक्ष्यं च Ak. Cf. केनापदेशेन आश्रमपदं गच्छामः Śāk. II.
p. 56. शिरसि आज्ञां आदाय—a very common expression,
signifying that the command was received with great
respect; cf. शिरोभिरुह्यते नराधिपेर्मात्यमिवास्य शासनम् Kir. I. 21.
उदन्तजात—information of every kind.

P. 7. अन्तराय—An obstacle. संपराय—a battle. बेलक्ष-
लक्षद्वयः—his heart being the target or mark of despair;
full of despair; or feeling ashamed. वीतद्वयः—has no pro-
priety here. It may mean 'full of cruel thoughts,' i. e.
desirous of taking vengeance. महाकाल—The name of the
celebrated temple of Śiva at Ujjain (one of the twelve
ज्योतिर्लिंगs). It is immortalized by Kālidāsa in his Megha-
dūta. काली—the goddess Pārvatī, so called probably because
she is the consort of the god Śiva in his form as the Destroyer
(काल). एकवीर—एक indicates pre-eminence. 'That would
kill an adversary who is a pre-eminent warrior;' or, 'that
would kill one warrior opposing him.' अप्रतिपदः—प्रतिपद
an antagonistic warrior, or a warrior on the opposite side;
न वियते प्रति संमुखं भटो यस्य । अभियुज्—to attack. तत्कृत्वैः—
तत् may refer to the occasion, or better, to the king;
'who determined the steps to be taken at the time (or, by
the king).' देवसहायेन—देवः एव सहायः तेन । The Instr.
is सहायै; 'with god Śiva as his ally.' असांप्रतं—improper,
inadvisable. For the alliteration cf. संपत्स्यसांप्रतं वक्तुं &c. Śiś.
II. 70. सहस्रा—in the sense of 'all at once' may also be taken
with the preceding sentence; thus अस्माकं सहस्रा युद्धं &c. In
support of the ministers' argument cf. बलिना सह योद्धव्यमिति
नास्ति निदर्शनम् । Kām. Nīt. IX. 40. See also Manu. VII.
198-99. भवर्वेण &c.—Conspicuous (elated) with great pride.
शक्तिसारः—Whose strength lay in, or who mainly depended
upon, the Śakti given by Śiva. योद्धुमनसां—Bent or resolved
on fighting; cf. प्रहर्तुमनसः Mud. II. 13. For the dropping of
the nasal, see com. p. 130. असाध्य—inaccessible to.
अवरोध—the wives of a king (taken collectively), the ladies
of the harem; cf. मूलबलरक्षितावरोधः *infra* p. 14. मूलबल—here-
ditary force (whose loyalty was unquestionable). Kāman-
daka enumerates six divisions of the army, and declares that
मौल (hereditary) is the best of them; cf. षड्विधं तु बलं न्यूना
द्विषतोऽभिमुखं व्रजेत् ॥ मौलं युतं श्रेणिं सुहृद् द्विषद् आटविकं बलम् । पूर्वं पूर्वं
गरीयस्तु &c. K. N. XIII. 2-3.

P. 8. प्रसस्त—Chosen. वीतवेन्य—energetic, spirited; or well-equipped. विविधाबुधस्यैव—who equalled the lord of immortals in battles marked by (or, graceful on account of) his steady (unflinching) use of various weapons. तस्य—Well known, renowned. पुराराति—The enemy of Tripura Śiva; so called because he destroyed, at the request of the gods, the three cities of gold, silver and iron built for the demons in the sky, mid-space and on earth by Maya. पशुपति—an epithet of Śiva; पशुना जीवानां पतिः. For other explanations, see our note on the word at Kum. VI. 95. वीतमग्रह—with reins loosened. ऐवगत्या—led or inspired by fate. सारण्यं—the resort of the royal ladies. प्राङ्मय—great, prosperous. समाक्रम्य—having taken possession of, or occupied. हेति—weapons. ऐवगत्या—fortunately. आश्रय्य—having taken courage.

P. 9. रमणानुगमने—रमण is very appropriately used here. कल्याणि—‘O fortunate one’; the use of this particular word is significant, indicating that the ministers believed in all turning out well in the future; cf. its similar use in तत्कल्याणि स्वमपि नितरां मा गमः कातरस्वम्। Megh. II. 49. मयितोऽनुसारातिः—मयित is used in a future sense here; cf. मस्मीकृतारयः p. 23. Or मयिता may be taken with the epithets, as मयितो मयिता, सार्वभौमः यः &c. क्षणहीनया—Joyless, uneasy. अर्धरात्रे—mark the comp. which is *mas.* उत्तर्तुम्—is a grammatical inaccuracy, as the correct Inf. would be उत्तरितुं or उत्तरीतुम्. निःशब्दलेशं—may also be taken as an *adv.*, ‘without the least noise.’ संसक्तया—being entangled. मृतिरेखायां—which was as it were the line of death. “The simile is taken from palmistry. The ‘line of death’ stands nearly vertically on the line of life, which crosses the hand horizontally.” Bühler.

P. 10. वाङ्माधुरी—Who by the sweetness (music) of her voice surpassed (lit. made disagreeable the voice of) the cuckoo. भवानेव &c.—For a similar idea cf. यूयो यथा मे जननान्तरेऽपि त्वमेव भर्ता न च विप्रयोगः। Ragh. XIV. 66. नीहारकर—नीहार snow, frost; hence cool;—कर the cool-rayed one, the moon. अमन्द—not slow to appear, i. e. great, excessive. The word is appropriate, as the joy takes its rise all at once. संकुलं—the lotus of whose face was full-blown on account of the great (ecstatic) joy swelling in her heart. उपोषिताभ्यां &c.—लोचनाभ्यां or नेत्राभ्यां एव means to look intently at, and with उपोषिताभ्यां it means to look very eagerly or intently at. The idea is common enough; cf. पपो निमेषालसपद्मपङ्कजिरुपोषिताभ्यामिव

लोचनाम्नाम् । Ragh. II. 19; also 73. विकस्वर—properly means expanding or blowing, as a flower; hence, swelling, loud, audible; cf. उद्बलीयत वेकतात्करग्रहजावस्य विकस्वरस्वरैः । Nai. II. 5. The word is derived from the root कस् with वि+affix वरच् by Pāṇ. III. 2. 175 (स्थेराभासपितृकसो वरच् । स्थावरः—ईश्वरः—मास्वरः—पेस्वरः—कस्वरः ।). माहात्म्येः—Because the King was saved, and thereby the Queen also. सैनिकग्राम—ग्राम in the sense of 'a multitude' generally occurs as the second member of a compound. Cf. गणयति गुणग्रामं Gīt. II.; श्रुतग्रामः स एवायं Bg. VIII. 19, &c.

P. 11. विरचित—who did honour to him; or, who exhibited great joy (मह meaning a festival). विरचितदेवानु-कूल्येन—some take this as adj. to मन्त्रिनिवहेन and interpret as '(the ministers) who did something to propitiate fate;' but looking to its position, it is better to make it go with कालेन; 'wherein fate acted favourably.' शल्च—points or heads of arrows &c. stuck in the body. सहसा—quickly. विरोपितव्रणः—who had his wounds dressed and healed. पुरुषकार—human effort, manly exertion, as opposed to देव (destiny); cf. एवं पुरुषकारेण विना देवं न सिध्यति Hitop. Pr. 32. बहुभाषिता—p. p. participles are often used abstractively; thus भाषित here is equivalent to भाषण; cf. गत used for गमन &c. अधिकाधिः—Whose mental agony grew more intense. अधिकाधिक—s. l. The repetition shows excess. मत्था कलिता—who was possessed of wisdom. मेजो—i. e. क्षात्रतेजः । Cf. मोर्यस्तेजसि &c. Mud. II. 23. मन्त्रं निवसति—this should have been मन्त्रे निवसति, since वस् governs the Acc. case only when preceded by the prepositions उप, अनु, अधि and आ. See A. G. § 32. विराजमाना—shining like, i. e. resembling. तद्विह्वला—a flash of lightning. हरिश्चन्द्र—A king of the solar race, son of Trisāṅku and a remote ancestor of Rāma. He was known for his liberality, probity and unswerving devotion to duty. दुःखदम्बं—crucial or excessive pain. श्वेतसर्पाधिः—Reconciled to fate, i. e. taking consolation from the fact that the present misery is due to the will of providence and not to any personal fault.

P. 12. इति निश्चयवन्तं &c.—With this thought (or intention) I have come to your reverence devoted to contemplative exercise or asceticism. कुलमर्दनः—goes with संमदियति; he will be the extirpator of ' &c. अवाधि—this is the correct form of the pass. 3rd pers. sing. of वध्. The reading अवाधि found in many

MSS. is ungrammatical. ब्रह्मवर्चसेन—Notice the comp. ending ; अ is added to the final of वर्चस् when it is preceded in a compound by ब्रह्मन् or हस्तिन्. See com. जातसंस्कार—The rites attendant on a child's birth. The जातकर्म is a ceremony performed at the birth of a child when the umbilical cord is separated. It consists in touching the infant's tongue three times with ghee with the proper *mantras*. It is the fourth of the 12 Samskāras or purificatory rites mentioned by Manu. For a detailed description of it *vide* our note on स जातकर्मण्यखिले &c. Ragh. III. 18. महाभिख्याः—highly lustrous or very handsome. The original reading is महदभिख्याः but we have rejected it as incorrect; see note on महदायुध p. 4.

P. 13. नवोद्यदिन्दु—Possessing beauty like that of the rising moon; this comparison shows that they were bound to grow in lustre and body. *Cf.* पतिपच्चन्द्रनिर्भास्यमात्मजः । Ragh. VIII. 65. रसेन—goes with समर्प्य. रस means here 'a feeling of affection or love.' कररुहेः—With the fingers. The reading करसरारुहेः is bad, since the plural is indefensible; it ought to have been करसरारुहाभ्याम्. व्यापृतसुधर्मणि—सुधर्मन् (*m. f.*) the assembly of the gods; व्यापृत engaged in talk about himself. व्याप्त *v. l.* suggested by the late Prof Tarānāth is simpler. व्यापृत, however, might be made to yield the same sense as व्याप्त, if we understand the root पृ in its original sense of 'to fill;' विशेषेण आ समन्तात् पूरिता व्यापृता. असंख्य—bloody; tumultuous (*Lit.* in which countless men fell; अविद्यमाना संख्या यस्मिन्). सति विदेहे—had lost its bodies, *i. e.* was destroyed (*i. e.* for the most part). असति विधेये *v. l.* ('having fled, not obeying, *i. e.* in defiance of, his order ') does not appear to be original, as is shown by the next line. Moreover, विदेहे gives a better alliteration with the next word विदेहेश्वरः. पृथ्येन—by virtue of his merit.

P. 14. शबरबल—An army of mountaineers. "The descendants of the *S'abaras* are probably the *Suars* of modern India. Sanskrit poets are not particular about the names of the aboriginal tribes. Below (p. 15. l. 3) the same people are called *Kirātas* and (p. 16. l. 10) again *S'abaras*, while (p. 104) the robbers who captured Upabāravarma are named *Bhillas*."—Bühler.

रमसादभिह्वयमानः—Being forcibly attacked or hard pressed, मूलबला—The ladies of whose harem were protected (safely escorted) by. महानिरोधः—Who encountered a serious calamity. आग्रातुं—To devour (*lit.*, to smell). वद्विषाणि &c.—*Cf.*

infra, Upahāravarman's Charita, p. 102. कपिलाश्व—The carcass of a brown cow. क्रोड—cavity under the belly. We should expect क्रोड (Loc.) instead of क्रोडं (Acc.) अमार्षिणः—furious, raging. बाणसन्नयन्त्र—A kind of bow with a mechanical contrivance at one of its ends for tightening the string and letting off the arrow. वृष्णिपाल—a shepherd. वृष्णिनां (rams) पालः (protector, guard). कुटीर—small hut or cottage (हस्ता कुटी); fr. कुटी+र. आविश्य...अभवम्—This sentence is syntactically faulty, since the two actions denoted by these roots ought to have the same agent, which they have not. So it is necessary to supply some such word as स्थापिता after आविश्य. अनभिज्ञाततया—On account of my being ignorant of her whereabouts or of her fate.

P. 15. तद्वन्याङ्कर—A scion of his race. चण्डिका—The goddess Durgā in her fierce form (especially the one she assumed at the time of killing the demon Mahisha). She was generally worshipped by the fierce forest-tribes engaged in committing robberies &c. Animals (including human beings) were offered as *Balis* to her. Bāṇa has given a lengthy description of the goddess in his Kādambarī. एवंविध—such as they obtained over the king of Videha. करिष्यन्तः—wishing to offer. किरातारः—Mountaineers who lived by hunting and inhabited the borders of forests; किरं पर्यन्तमूर्ध्नि अतन्तीति. For the derivation of the word comp. पर्यन्ताश्रयिभिर्निजस्य सदृशं नाम्नः किरातेः कृतम्। Ratn. II. 3. Here they are spoken of as identical with the Śabarās who also form a class of mountaineers. Cf. भेदाः किरातशबरपुलिन्दा स्लेच्छजातयः। Amara. असिलता—a poniard. लता in such cases indicates delicacy or slenderness. अनेकचरणैः—This is to be taken with पलायमानं, 'running on all fours' (as a young boy is expected to do). Some take it as an adj. of कुक्कुरबालकैः, but the epithet then loses all propriety; what is the point of saying that dogs have more legs than one? दंशयित्वा—v. l. दंशयित्वा is from the Freq. base of दंश्. घोरप्रचारे—Where a journey is perilous or dangerous; प्रचार may also mean 'behaviour,' doings. स्खलितपथः—Who have missed or lost my way. For the change of पथिन् to पथ, see com. उपचार—appliances, remedies.

P. 16. अभिरक्षतात्—Imperat. third per. sing. The term तात् is optionally used in the 2nd and 3rd pers. sing. of the Imperat. (instead of हि and तु) when the sense is that of benediction; see com. अधरीकृत्य—Lessening or softening. पक्व—

The residence of S'abarās or the mountain-tribes. उपललितं—fondled, fondly borne in her arms. भामिनी—used as a complimentary term. See com. सराजगुणसंपूर्तिः—Endowed with all princely qualities. पत्नी—The hut of a shepherd. सामानाधिक्यां—by gentle means (e. g. verbal persuasion) and gifts. For, force would have been useless and against his कार्यज्ञत्व. दान and दान are two of the four political means mentioned by writers on polity, the other two being दण्ड and भेद. रामनीर्य— is the name of a holy place; it is mentioned in Mah-Bh. Vanap. 82, 83, but its exact location is uncertain.

P. 17. कालयवन—'By this term probably Zanzibar on the coast of Arabia is meant.' Bühler. व्यवहारी—a merchant. सुवस्तुसंपदा—With an abundance of good things, i. e., a rich dowery and presents. नताङ्गी—The beautiful-limbed lady; *lit* 'with joints low' (not projecting). प्रवहण— a ship. कल्लोल— billows. पोत—a boat. कल्पिता—appointed. रस्नोद्भवः—see his recovery mentioned at p. 35. प्रसववेदना—The travails of child-birth. प्रच्छायशीतले—प्रकृष्टा छाया यत्र तस्पच्छायं, प्रच्छायं च तच्छीतलं च or प्रच्छायेन शीतले; प्रच्छायं means 'a place having thick or dense shade.' The comp. also occurs again on pp. 29, 34.

P. 18. जनपदगामिन्—Leading to the country. विवशा—विगतो वशां यस्याः who had no control over her limbs; hence, lying in an unconscious state. प्राद्वत्—took to her heels, ran away. गुल्मक— a thicket. परीक्षमाणः—watching the course of events, awaiting the result. कण्ठीरव—a lion; *lit*. 'one whose roar is in his throat' (कण्ठ्यां रवः यस्य सः). महामहेय— With a terrible or prodigious spring. एकफलबुद्ध्या—mistaking it for a fruit. फलेतरतया—that being found to be something other than a fruit. सत्त्वसंपन्नतया—on account of its innate vitality or power of endurance. निवेद्य—having informed. महदाश्चर्ये—may have been used by the author as a comp. (for महाश्चर्ये); in the present case, however, this may be taken as two separate words महद् and आश्चर्य. नामधेय—धेय is added स्वार्थे (without change of the original sense) to रूप, नाम and भाग.

P. 19. ज्ञातव्य—having explained in detail. निद्रासुप्तिता— with my eyes sealed by sleep, under the influence of deep sleep. स्वप्नन्निवः—goes with धर्मपाल, so that धर्मपालः is a सौपेक्ष compound. यक्षकान्ता e. l.—a woman of the Yaksha class. बहुद्वार—Kubera. परिचर्याकरणाय—That he should attend upon. विस्मयविकसित—expanded or dilated through astonishment. स्वक्षी—with fascinating eyes. रजितनिबं—used for alliteration. भावदुष—this compound is grammatically faulty. By Pāp. VI.

3. 23, when a word ending in क् is compounded with another and there is blood-relationship or some kind of learning, there is non-elision (अलुक्) of the Genitive case; thus in the present instance भ्रातृपुत्र would have been the correct form. अन्तेवासी—a disciple; see com. समाराधितदेवकीर्तिम्—who had obtained the glory of the gods; goes with नरपति. कीर्ति may mean 'splendour' or 'lustre,' and then समा० may qualify कुमारं; this is more natural. Cf. for the idea अमरतेजसि पाथिवे Ragh. IX. 4.

P. 20. निर्भर्त्सित—put to shame, far surpassed. अवगमय—having announced. कावेरी—A river in the south of India; see Ragh. IV. 45. निजशोकं—Able to take out or extricate the dart of sorrow (from her heart). अग्रहार—The royal grant of land to Bráhmaṇas for their maintenance. अग्रं ब्राह्मणभोजनं तदर्थं दियन्ते राजघनात् पृथक् क्रियन्ते ते क्षेत्रादयः । Nilakanṭha. Also, a village so granted. तस्यामेकं सनय०—Mark the Sanskrit construction; 'he had a son by her.' लवमाना—floating; note that the word लव (a boat) is derived from the same root. नदीवेगागत—borne by the current of the river. उद्दीपनता—virulence, malignity. ऽकुवालावलीढावयवा—having her whole body inflamed by the burning poison.

P. 21. विषयवस्था—The working or effect of the poison. पावकसंस्कार—Consigning the body to fire. This is the last of the purificatory rites enjoined for a Hindu. अगति—forlorn, helpless. ऽस्थितेः—residence. सोमवत्सं नाम—i. e. having named him Somadatta. अधिकृष्टा०—who practised riding. चोल०—चोल is the ceremony of tonsure or cutting off of all the hair on the head of a child except one lock on the crown; it is generally performed in the third year. See Manus. II. 85. उपनयन—investiture with the sacred thread, performed in the eleventh year in the case of Kshatriyas. See A'sv. Gri. Sú. 1. 17 and 10 seqq. For the deriv. compare गृह्योक्तकर्मणा येन समीपं नीयते गुरोः । बालो वेदाय तयोगात् बालस्योपनयं विदुः ॥ सकल-लिपि &c.—A general acquaintance with the different arts and almost every branch of knowledge, as well as a thorough knowledge of the fine arts, formed in ancient days the necessary qualification for the Yuvarāja who was being trained to take part in the responsible task of government along with his father. Cf. the similar training which Ohandrápīḍa is said to have received as described at Kād. p. 175; also Ragh. III. 29, 30. It may be noted that while Daṇḍin includes a knowledge of such arts as चौर्य and दुरीदर in the educational equipment of a prince (that the prince may be able to find out thieves and.

miscreants by knowing their ways of action), Bāṇa omits them. It will be seen that the knowledge was abused by some of the Kumāras, a sign of the degenerate age in which our author wrote.

षडङ्ग—The six subsidiary works (for their names see com.), the study of which is indispensably necessary for the proper interpretation and understanding of the Veda. काव्य—is here used in the particular sense of 'metrical compositions.' आख्यानक—A short narrative or episode. आख्यायिका—a continuous narrative or story. कथा—a romance. See Kād. p. 14 and our notes *ad. loc.* See also Introd. पुराणमण—The whole body of the Purāṇas (i. e. the 18 Purāṇas with an equal number of Upapurāṇas). नेपथ्यं—proficiency in. धर्म—The codes of law, religious and secular. शब्द—grammar. ज्योतिस्—astronomy and astrology. तर्क—logic. मीमांसा—comprises the two systems—पूर्वमी० and उत्तरमी०. The former chiefly concerns itself with the correct interpretation of the Vedic ritual and the settlement of all dubious points in regard to Vedic texts. The latter discusses the nature of Brahman or Supreme Spirit and aims at pointing out the means to salvation. कौटिल्य०—the treatise on politics by Ohāṇakya called अर्थशास्त्र. कामन्दकीय—The celebrated Nītisāra of Kāmandaki in 19 chapters; it is an epitome of Ohāṇakya's great work. नीतिपटल—treatises on political science. शस्त्रं—skill. संगति—this comprises the three arts of singing, instrumental music, and dancing; गीतं वाद्यं च नृत्यं च त्रयं संगीतमुच्यते ॥

P. 22. साहित्य—Poetics. हारिश्च—ability to attract, i. e. perfect knowledge of. मायाप्र०—magic with its branches. माया is said to be derived from मय, the traditional founder of the science; of magic. This has nothing to do with the Māyā (illusion) of Śaṅkarāchārya. चञ्चुस्व—skill or proficiency. चञ्चु (also written चुञ्चु) and चण are affixes added in the sense of 'known for or skilled in;' see Pāṇ. V. 2. 26. पाटवं—skill to manage. चणस्व—see चञ्चुस्व above. चौर्य &c.—The knowledge of the art of thieving and gambling proves useful to the Kumāras in their future adventures. The work on the art of housebreaking is ascribed to Karṇisuta; see *infra* p. 76, and notes. कपटकला—The arts based on deceit or fraud. कृत्स्न०—prompt in the discharge of their duties.

वामदेवः—subject of अभ्यभाषत (line 2, p. 23). संशयित—Caused to be called in question or confounded with itself.

कल्पितः—who had formed the tie of fraternity. Mr. Agashe interprets this as '(who were) formed as if they were the brothers' (of the God of Love). It appears that he takes the comp. to mean सोदयं इव कल्पितः; this involves unusual twisting, and since the sense obtained is a repetition, to a certain extent, of the preceding epithet कुसुमसायकः, we have rejected that interpretation. साहसोः—Who put to shame Kumāra (Kārttikeya, the god of war) by their exploits or adventurous spirit. सुकुमार—beautifully young, youthful. जयध्वजः—The linear marks of a flag, an umbrella, and a thunderbolt on the palm of the hand indicate future royalty. Cf. अङ्गुली कुलिशं छत्रं यस्य पाणितले भवेत् । तस्यैश्वर्यं विनिर्दिष्टं अशीत्यायुर्भवेद् ध्रुवम् ॥ धनुर्यस्य भवेत्पाणौ पङ्कजं वाद्यं तोरणम् । तस्यैश्वर्यं च राज्यं च अशीत्यायुर्भवेद् ध्रुवम् ॥ Sāmudrakasāstra (as quoted by Mr. Agashe). See also our notes on Ragh. IV. 88. तां परिचर्यो—'that (well-known) worship', i. e. such as is usually offered to great sages. काकपक्ष—side-locks of hair. They are so called because in colour as well as in shape they resemble crow's wings; काकस्य पक्षादिव काकपक्षौ. Cf. Ragh. XI. 1 and our note thereon. Their locks were like the bees alighting on the two lotuses of his feet. Following the example of the king the Kumāras bowed to the ascetic, touching his feet with their heads so that the former were covered by their long, flowing locks.

P. 23. कुमारः &c.—Mark the alliterations in this sentence forming what is called शुक्ललयमक (see Kir V. 27). भस्मीकृत—though a *past* participle, this is here used in the sense of the immediate future; cf. मयितोद्धतारतिः above (p. 9). रय—impetuosity; velocity. रणाभिधानेन यानेन—by marching out for battle; or, by a march indicative of their ardour or zeal for battle. अभ्युदयाशंसं—hopeful of glory. सत्साधिव्यं &c.—having appointed others his help rs. शुभशकुन—Some auspicious omen, such as a favourable sound uttered by a bird &c. Cf. शुभाशुभज्ञानविनिर्णयार्थं हेतुर्वृणा यः शकुनः स उच्यते । Vasanārājīya हंसहन्ति—bearing the marks of the scars of wounds inflicted by weapons. कालायसः—With a frame of body as hard as iron. कालायस is der. from काल + अयस्, a Karm. comp; कालं च अयश्च. The अयस् becomes अयस by अनोश्माय. सरसां जाति-सङ्गोः Pāp. V. 4. 94. व्यक्तकिरातः—who clearly possessed the strength of a Kirāta. लोचनपुरुष—hideous in appearance, frightful to look at.

P. 24. **सुगृहिते**—Fit for wild beasts, *i. e.* where they can roam without molestation. This is explained by **जनसङ्गरहिते**. **चोरप्रचारे**—See p. 15. **किरातरिति**—the life or profession of a Kirāta. **शौच**—Purity of the mind and body. **धर्मव्रात**—the various religious observances. **व्रत** *lit.* means 'a collection;' *cf.* Ragh. XII. 94. **पुलिन्दपुरोगमाः**—led by the Pulindas. The author, as already remarked, uses the words **पुलिन्द**, **किरात**, &c. as synonymous, ignoring the minor differences between them. **ब्राह्मणद्वयाः**—Brāhmaṇa-renegades; *lit.* 'Brāhmaṇas in name,' but neglecting the duties of their caste (see Kullāka on Manu. VIII. 85); **द्वय** is used as a depreciatory affix. **उद्धृत्य**—Bearing myself haughtily; *fr.* उद्+हृन्, *from* which we get उद्धृत 'proud.' We have adopted this reading instead of उद्धृत्य which is current in all the editions, but which appears to be a clerical error. उद्धृत्य makes no sense, and Mr. Agashe's attempt to render it by 'having set them free' is an unconvincing makeshift. **महीबलसहचरगण**—The band of my comrades or associates. **निर्वातस्वयान**—Prep. p. of the pass. of the Desid. of हन्. **निर्भर्त्सवद्**—A grammatical inaccuracy; **भर्त्स** is usually A'tm.; it is, however, oftentimes used in the Paras. in the Purāṇas, the Pāñchatantra &c.

P. 25. **प्रेतपुरी**—The city of Yama (*lit.* of the dead). **रत्नसञ्चित**—set or studded with gems. **शुभम्**—an epithet of Yama, the god of death. **दण्डप्रणाम**—falling prostrate on the ground like a staff (*i. e.* every part of the body touching the ground) as a mark of extreme humility. **चित्रगुप्त**—Yama's minister, who records the good or bad deeds of beings. **सुसुखमय**—The proper time of death. **विगलितकल्मष**—who has been absolved from his sins. **वातनादिकोष**—particular agonies; torments causing excruciating pain. For a description of the various kinds of tortures that sinners have to undergo, *vide* Viṣṇu-F. II. 6, Bhāg.-P. V. 26, Mārka.-P. 12, &c. **जर्जरीकृत**—loosened, belaboured. **दण्ड**—a chisel. **परितक्त्वनाम**—being chopped off. **पुण्यबुद्धिसुपविष्टव**—Advising me so as to create in me a love for meritorious or virtuous acts. **वैश्वन्धु**—agnatic relations. **अक्षरलिङ्गा विधाय**—having taught me the alphabet, *i. e.* reading and writing. **आगमतन्त्र**—see *com.* for the *comp.* 'the principles or doctrines (तन्त्र) of the various Śāstras (आगम).' Bühler takes the *comp.* as a *Dvandva*, meaning 'Vedas and Tantras,' where तन्त्र means a

religious text-book dealing with mystical magic-formulas for the worship of a deity or the attainment of supernuman power (*Siddhi*).

P. 26. दूरीकृतकलङ्कः—'With sin far removed,' i. e. leading a life of virtue and piety. अर्तिनिशान्ते—In the last quarter or watch of the last night. दण्डहारण्य—Name of a well-known forest, the scene of many of Rāma's exploits, and popularly supposed to be between the Narmadā and the Godāvarī. It was so named after Daṇḍaka, a son of Ikshvāku, who dishonoured Arajā, a daughter of Śukrāchārya, and was cursed by the sage to the effect that his kingdom, which was a hundred *Yojanas* in extent, would be converted into a tenantless forest. See Rām. Uttarakāṇḍa, Adh. 80-81.

सिद्धसाध—Classes of demigods. विधेः—of propitious fate. This and शासनं विधातुः (which means—which is as sure to come off as the order of Providence) seem to be used simply for the sake of alliteration. आनन—an opening, a door 'As though it were an opening made by Fate,' the meaning is that destiny has here provided a means whereby good luck would accrue. For the idea cf. अथ वा भवितव्यानां द्वाराणि भवन्ति सर्वत्र Śāk. I. 15. राज्ञाशासनं—properly, a royal grant or edict committed to a copperplate; here, a writing inscribed on a copperplate. विधि—The mode of performing rites and ceremonies for the attainment of an object. सदुपदिष्ट—prescribed thereon. विष्ट—fate. अनुगुणं—In conformity with. तोषिणः—gratified (now that you have come).

P. 27. कल्बे—In the morning. साकल्बेन—(also used for alliteration) goes with अनवलोकयन्तः; 'not seeing Rāj. i. e. his entirety,' i. e. not seeing anywhere even the slightest trace (कल) of him. साकल्य is an abstr. noun from सकल, which is explained as कलया सहित. Some take साकल्बेन as signifying 'everywhere.' मनीषा—desire; dissolve मनसः ईषा; a word of the शकन्वादि group. चरिष्यन्—wishing to go on a journey. The aff. इष्णु is added to कृ with अलं and other roots by Pāṇ. II. 2. 136. अतिसहिष्णु—very hardy. संगमसंकेतस्थान—a rendezvous; 'having appointed their place of meeting.' एकवीर—According to Pāṇ. II. 1. 58, वीर is one of those words which ought always to be placed first in a Karm. comp., so that we should have वीरेकः and not एकवीरः. एकवीर, however, is found used by classical authors.

and is to be justified by supposing that the application of the Sūtra is not universal (बहुलग्रहणात्—holds good in most cases). विनतमारस—with rows of swans spread about. It may also mean 'with beds of full-blown lotuses.' विगत० v. 1.—has no propriety. ईशशासन०—Collected in accordance with the directions of Īśa. प्रत्यूहपरिहारिणि—who warded off the obstacles (to the sacrifice). पुण्यगेहं—The seat of meritorious actions. Note how the word गेह is brought in here for alliteration. मणिमय—richly set with gems. मण्डल— a collection. सकललोक०—सकललोकेषु &c. 'The ornament of womankind in all the three worlds.' Cf. आश्रमललामभूता शकुन्तला Śāk. II. p. 51.

P. 28. विनीत—well-trained, of modest deportment. उदञ्जलिः—with joined palms raised up (to the head). निज-पराक्रमा०—i. e. unable to bear the demon's prowess. दूरीकृतामरे—in which the gods were routed. सिद्धतापस—An ascetic having *Siddhi* or miraculous power. चातकी वर्षागमनमिव—The bird Chātaka is said to depend entirely on clouds for water to drink; *vide* Ragh. V. 17 and our note thereon. मदनकृतसारथ्येन &c.—With a mind led on or impelled (to this act) by the God of love; cf. मन्मथामिसरा *infra* p. 78. The idea is common enough; cf. मदनः सलु मां नियोजयति &c. Vik. p. 42. मां तत्सपत्नी—make me her rival wife, i. e. marry me. For the idea comp. note on धरणीरमणी p. 2 and Ragh. VI. 29. हृष्टतर—exceedingly pleased; तर shows excess. उररीकृत्य—having accepted. उररी (occurring also in the form उ-ऊ-री; cf. Ragh. XV. 70) is a preposition generally used before the root कृ in the sense of 'acceptance.'

वञ्चयित्वा—Avoiding, i. e. 'without the knowledge of.' सद्व-लोकन०—Anxious to see his friends. क्षुरिपासादि—It is a general belief that certain gems possess such a virtue. कंचनाभ्वानं—for some distance.

P. 29. विशाला—Ujjain. See Megh. I. 30. उपशल्य—शल्य (border) उपगतं; borderland, suburb. आक्रीड— a public garden. आन्दोलिका—a swing. पल्लवित०—'with a mind swelling or dilated with;' the metaphor is taken from a tree putting forth sprouts under the genial influence of Spring. अकान्ठे—unexpectedly; suddenly. Cf. दर्माङ्गुरेण चरणः क्षत इत्यकान्ठे तन्वी दिवता Śāk. II. 13. सरभस &c.—According to the Oom, the meaning is 'who enjoyed the sport of stepping hastily and whose action was full of great joy.' The comp. should rather be taken

as सरमसपदविन्यासेषु विलासी appearing forth यः हर्षोत्कर्षतेन चरितः (चलितः) 'advancing with hasty steps-indicative of ecstatic joy.' गङ्गुलसत्—i. e. in the act of bowing. 'The blooming (उल्लसत्) wreath of Mallikā flowers on which dropped down.' पुलकित—with the hair standing on end. प्रच्छाद्य—See *supra*, n. 17. व्यातिकर—*lit.* means 'incident'; 'owing to the incident of (i. e. by reason of) the sight of his friend.' मुकुलित—having folded his lotus-like hands. प्रचारप्रकार—an account of his travels (*lit.* the manner in which he travelled).

P. 30. अम्बरमणि—*lit.* 'the jewel of the sky,' an epithet of the sun. कुशलं—A technical expression for 'asked him questions about his well-being or good condition' &c.; of the precept ब्राह्मणं कुशलं पृच्छेत् &c. महद्भाग—See *supra*, note on महदायुध p. 4. It is also possible to explain this as महं ददातीति महद्वा which gives prosperity; महदा चासौ आशा च. But this was scarcely in the author's mind. अमजन्मा—a Brāhmaṇa so called, as he was created first of all the four orders (वर्णानां मध्ये-अजातम्वात्) or was born from the mouth of God (अमात्रमथानाङ्गात् सुखाज्जातत्वात्). See our Sanskrit foot-note on the word at Ragh. V. 26. नृद्भाग—*lit.* 'O fortunate one;' used as a formal title of address. Cf. Ragh. V. 14. भिक्षं—'food obtained by begging' (भिक्षया संवाद्यम्); fr. भिक्षा + य (व्यञ्). The other reading भिक्षं *lit.* means 'collection of alms' (भिक्षाणां समूहः) and is derived from भिक्षा by adding अण् (समूहार्थे) by Pāṇ IV. 2. 38. The ultimate meaning is the same in both the readings. कटक—An army encamped. Here we are to suppose that he pointed to an army lying encamped there. लाट—Name of a country said to lie to the west of the Narmadā; it probably included Broach, Baroda and Ahmedabad. Vincent Smith (*Early History of India*, p. 425) identifies it with Southern Gujarat. आवंआवं—The Namulanta is repeated to show frequency. कन्वासारेण—appointed to escort the princess; this is preferable to सारेण V. l.—appointed to take charge of the treasure, *scil.* the princess; see *com.*

P. 31. चतुरङ्ग—See *supra*, p. 5, notes. अन्तर्चिभेद—turned treacherous to him; 'secretly plotted treason' (Bühler). निरवेशि—Pass. Aor. of विञ् with निर् to enjoy. निगडित—fettered; 'with his arms pinioned.' नैस्त्रिगिक—निस्त्रिंशः (a sword measuring more than 30 fingers in length) ग्रहरणमस्य (aff. ठक्-इक); a swordsman. See Pāṇ. IV. 4. 57. दस्यु—a thief. The word

is as old as the Veda, wherein it is applied to the aboriginal and Turanian tribes with whom the Āryans on their occupation of India had often to wage war and whom they conquered. There it is derived from *दन्* 4th conj. to injure, to kill. It acquired the present meaning doubtless from the lawless habits of the mountaineers. भयरहितं—I who was undaunted. Mark the laconic style of the writer. निराशं—निर्गता आशा यस्मात् स निराशः; निराशश्चास्ती क्लेशश्च निराशक्लेशः, तस्य अनुभवो यस्य तेन मया—‘by me who experienced affliction from which there was no hope of escape, i. e. which was irremediable.’ निर्दिश्य— the root *विष्* with *निर्* generally means ‘to enjoy’ (cf. निर्वेशि निद्रासुखं above); but here it appears to have been used in the sense of ‘to experience’ (कारावासदुःखः). सुरङ्गा—a subterranean passage; also written as सुरङ्गा.

P. 32. निकटं—near (i. e. into the presence of) the king, Mattakāla. माणिक्यम्—To recover the ruby. रत्नरत्न—The most excellent jewel. Or, as the com. takes it; ‘who knew about the jewel and the place where it was looked for.’ द्वाःस्थगण—The sentinels at the door. पटुपराक्रमलीलया—With the display of sharp prowess. आर्चयत्—received with honour. वराक—poor; or, base, vile. विमलाप—insulting words, insolent speech. कुपितोऽपि—although enraged (and therefore he should have brought a larger force with him); the अपि should rather have been placed after लाटपति. संनद्धबोधः—with a force fully onquipped.

P. 33. बहुल—here means ‘large.’ The meaning ‘many’ is not so good. तुमुल—Properly means ‘the confused noise of warriors engaged in hard fight;’ hence, fierce fighting. ससुलसत्—with the quick and dexterous movements of the arms. आटोप—pride; hence, skill, the cause of the pride भराति—the context shows that this refers to Mattakāla the hostile King, and we have therefore chosen it in preference to the reading अरातीन्, where the plural cannot be justified. असिरव—अतिशयेन रयो येषां; very fleet, swift of foot. क्षीप्रलङ्घन—a quick jump. संनत—lit. bowed with; hence, filled with. उदन्तजात—The full account. समहोरसदं—goes with अदात्. भाराधितं—gaining the king’s favour, ministering to his desires. भवदेवना &c.—With his heart tormented with affliction naturally (lit. easily) caused by the dart of the poignant pain of your separation. सिद्धादिद्येन—According to the direction of a Siddha. महाकाण्ड—See *supra*, p. 7. आनन्दसंदोह—संदोह lit. a

flood or mass of; 'ecstatic or great joy.' निरपराधदण्डे—The punishment or suffering inflicted on him without any fault of his.

P. 34. पुरतः पुष्पोद्भवं &c.—This sudden introduction of Pushpodbhava indicates a deficiency of creative power on the part of the author. निदिलतट—his broad forehead. संकुल—overflooded with. करिष्णु—see note on चरिष्णु p. 27. विदितार्थः—If they knew my object. किमिति निश्चितम्—what did they think was the reason of my disappearance?

अशब्दवानः—This is not the Pres. p. of शक् (which is Paras.), but a verbal derivative formed by affixing आन (चान् and not शानच्) which is added in the sense of the agent (कर्तरि) to express habit &c. by ताच्छील्यवयोवचनशक्तिषु चानच्। Pāṇ. III. 2. 129. प्रच्छाद—Mark the comp.; see *supra*, p. 17 (last line). कूर्माकृति—the comparison to a tortoise, all of whose limbs are contracted, is graphic and appropriate, since at mid-day the shadow cast by the body of the falling man would be compressed, all his limbs appearing contracted into very small shape. Compare for a similar idea किरति मिहिरे विश्वदीचः करानतिवामनी स्थलकमठवदहच्छाया जनस्य विचेष्टते। A.-R. I. 54. अन्तराल—mid-way, before he reached the ground. द्योपनय—दयया उपनतं (subdued or bent) हृदयं यस्य.

P. 35. निशिष्य—Because he could not have entirely arrested his downward descent; he only lessened its rapidity. युगु—a precipice. Distinguish this from another word युगु which is the name of a famous sage. Bühler says:—“Etymologically, युगु means a broken place. It is apparently derived from the Aryan root *bhrag*, which in Latin appears as *fra(n)g-o*, in Gothic as *brik-an*, in English as *break*, and which in Sanskrit appears in the mutilated form *bha(n)j*. The Bhṛṅgupatana or *Bhāṛavastava* is a favourite mode of religious suicide. A few years ago the Nawab of Junāghadh used still to keep guards on Gīrnār who watched the place from which pilgrims frequently attempted to precipitate themselves into the valley. Bānain his Harshacharitra also refers to this practice (Uch. V.). करुहे:—see note on the word, *supra* p. 13. वाणिज्यरूपेण—is equivalent to वाणिज्येन ‘for trading;’ here रूप has no particular force. कालवयनदीप—See *supra*, p. 17. प्रवहण—a boat. आदर्श—out of regard for. हाजन—m. n. भावान् जहाति जिहीते वा; a year. नारीकृत—*a cry of pain, uttered with the tenderness of a woman's voice.*

वंशानर—fire; विश्वे नरा अस्य ‘worshipped by all men.’ भवते विज्ञापनीयानि—Things to be told or communicated to you. The verb विज्ञापय् is used when one has to say something to one’s superior or to a respectable person, as a courteous term. Cf. the opposite use of आज्ञापय. भयंकर &c.—Intent on doing the desperate deed (साहस) of throwing herself into a fire blazing with terrible flames mingling together. अभ्यर्णम्—Irreg. p. p. p. of अर्द् to go, with अग्नि, when the sense is ‘near,’ ‘not very distant,’ by अभ्यर्णविदूयै। Pāp. VII. 2. 25; otherwise अभ्यर्णित is the p. p. p.

P. 36. तावन्तं—ते (बोडश हायनाः) परिमाणमस्य. साभिज्ञानं—by means of the signs of recognition. विनीतं—Bearing myself humbly towards them. अन्वेषणपरायणः—Solely intent on finding your lordship out; whose chief aim was to search you out. निमित्तं—prime cause. भवद्भुषहात्—The student will remember that Pushpobdhava was instructed in magic along with Rājāvahana. साधकत्व—magic-art. सूचकानां—It was a popular belief that trees under which a treasure lay buried indicated its existence by bending their boughs in a peculiar way. Cf. निषिस्तह-विकारेण...स्पष्टमाख्यायते लोके H.—Oh. IV., where the com. Śaṅkara says यत्राधो निधिः सत्र परिणाहीकृताधोमुखराखामूलादिभाजः वृक्षा भवन्ति ।. Note that the *existence* of the treasure was indicated by the position of the boughs of the trees, but the exact spot could only be located by the help of the सिद्धाञ्जन. सिद्धाञ्जन—collyrium of magical virtue, enabling the eyes to see through opaque bodies or to see the desired spots.

P. 37. दीनार—*a gold coin. Cf. Lat. Denarius (which was an ancient Roman silver coin worth about eight annas).* According to Kātyāyana and Brihaspati it is equivalent in value to 42 copper Kārshika Paṇas (about 2½ Rs.). Dīnāras were first coined in India by Kanishka and his successors. गोणी—a bag. Here the double bags used by merchants in conveying grain on bullocks are meant. Mark the *fem.* ending. गोण takes ई in this sense; otherwise गोणा. अन्वद्वयमिषेण—Pretending, giving out, that it was some other commodity, such as corn &c. नीयमान—taken i. e. introduced by. गृहवसतिमः—Lived under disguise. अपारं—Unlimited. मनोग्लानि—mental disquietude; anxiety of the heart. अवलीड—a word very aptly used. Youth pervaded all her limbs. Cf. कुसुमविबलोमनीयं यौवनमङ्गेषु स्नेहम्। S’āk. I. 19. लतान्तबाण—the god of love. लतान्त—a flower; lit. ‘growing on the extremities of creepers.’ चकित—

frightened. The tremulous glances of young ladies are often compared by Sanskrit writers to the swift-rolling eyes of fawns when frightened. *Cf.* वस्तैकहायनकुरङ्गविलोलदृष्टेः। Uttar. III. 28; Mál.-Mādh. VI. 8, &c. कुसुमसायक &c.—acting the part of an arrow of Cupid; *cf.* गार्ढ निखात इव मे हृदये कटाक्षः Mál.-Mādh. I. 29; कटाक्षविशिखाः Bh. Śr. Ś. मनसाऽभिमुखैः—मनसा (mentally, silently) अभिमुखैः (directed to me).

P. 38. अपाङ्गवर्तिभिः—(in which the pupils were) directed to the corners of the eyes. The reading साङ्गवर्तिभिः (सा अङ्गं) makes no satisfactory sense. It may be somehow explained as 'lying (i. e. riveted) on my body.' साङ्गवर्तिभिः v. l.—will also do; 'with sportive movements of the limbs,' चतुरं—Oleveryly displayed and yet mysterious (or secret) gestures. अन्यथा—On one occasion. प्रेक्षिष्यमाणः—wishing to ascertain (your whereabouts). शकुन्तवचनानि—The sounds of birds are often referred to by poets in this connexion; *cf.* तरुषु चुकुवुरुचैः पक्षिणश्चावुक्कलाः। Bhaṭṭi. I. 27; Megh. I. 8. उत्कलिका—seeking to dispel my longing or mental anguish. उत्कलिका is the longing produced by love; उत्कण्ठोत्कलिके समे Amara. *Cf.* क्षुभितमुत्कलिकातरलं मनः Mál.-Mādh. III. 10. ससंभ्रम-प्रेमं—O charming on account of (the mingled emotions of) hurry, love, bashfulness and curiosity or eagerness. मदनकदन—love-torment. रहस्यसंज्ञासं—On account of the confidence produced in her by privacy. वार्द्धकस्य प्रबलतया &c.—It was the custom of ancient Hindu kings to abdicate the throne in their old age in favour of their sons, and to retire into the forest; *cf.* Ragh. III. 70. Here, however, Mánasāra, though he installed his son in his own place, did not retire into the forest, but continued to live in the palace. पेटृवर्त्तनीयौ—sons of his paternal aunt. See com. for the derivation. जडदण्डकर्मन्—despotic, cruel; *cf.* समुदण्डभुजदण्डः *supra* p. 2. राजराजगिरि—Kailāsa, the residence of Kubera. राज्ञा यक्षाणां राजा राजराजः कुबेरः; *cf.* Megh. I. 3.

P. 39. पारदार्य—abstr. noun from परदारा (another's wife); 'having illicit intrigues with others' wives.' भवत्—is connected with लवण्य; so this is a सपेक्ष समास; it should have been भवलावण्या. दूरीकृत्य—Not minding, not caring for. तच्चिन्ता—Anxiety caused by that. रागोद्रेक—intense love. सूक्ष्म—clever. अधिष्ठाय—having possessed. आकारसंपद्—her superb charms, exquisite beauty. साहसिकः—a desperado,

an adventurer. चक्रवाकः—the simile has occurred before; *cf. supra*, p. 3, line 5. सत्यवाक्य—same as आप्त; ‘whose words are always true (or reliable).’ क्रीडन्नायुक्तम् &c.—If you sport with her and live. एकान्तनिकेतन—secluded apartment. रमसात्—impetuously; with violence or force. भवतीमनु—Note that अनु is a कर्मप्रवचनीय and governs the Acc. case; see A. G. § 37.

P. 40. वंशसंपत्—noble descent; or, high birth and wealth. किंचिद्भु—With the lotus of her face a little blown. अर्हति—are able to. मन्माद्योपायः—caught in the nooses of the snares of my deceitful plan. तादङ्ग—an ear-ornament (called तानवडे in Mar.) मनोज्ञ—Oharming. नगरव्याकुलं—Thickly rumoured in the city; this is rather a strange use of the word व्याकुल परीक्षन्—‘ascertaining the truth of.’ Mark the Paras. use and *cf. our note on महदायुध supra*, p. 4. Bühler, however, says—“This can be defended by the Paribhāṣhā अनुदात्तेष्वलक्षणमात्मनेपदमनित्यम्, which though rejected by Nāgōji is admitted by Bhaṭṭoji Dīkshita.” ईश्व with परि is used in the Paras. in the Mah.-Bhār. also, but the use is non-Pāṇinian.

P. 41. हंसतुल—The soft feathers or down of a swan. Beds used by kings and rich men were stuffed with the down of swans and were valued for their softness; *cf. infra* p. 97, line 1. चामीकर—gold. सूक्ष्म—thin. निःशङ्कः—fearlessly; or, without scruple. निबुद्ध—निबुध्य नितरां वा युद्धं; pugilistic efforts, close or hand-to-hand fight. विकल—disordered or displaced. उपलावलम्—comforting, coaxing. दिव्यो बधिरवन्तः—rending or deafening the sky. चटुल—tremulous, unsteady. Tremulous eyes are regarded as a mark of beauty by Sanskrit poets; *cf. इदं चेतश्चटुलनयने &c. Megh. II. 48.* सिद्धादेशः—according to the instructions of a Siddha.

P. 42. अम्लानमानसः—‘With a joyful heart.’ अम्लान is the same as उत्फुल्ल. विजयकटक—i. e. Vīraketu’s territory (see p. 30) whence he had come to Ujjain on a visit to the temple of Mahākālā. भूस्वर्गोदनाय—acting like heaven (looking like a heavenly city) on earth. *Cf. ननु वक्तव्यं स्थानान्तरगतः स्वर्ग इति Vik. II.; शेषः पुण्येर्हतमिव दिवः कान्तिमत्स्वदमेकम् Megh. I. 30.* अनुपम रासः—i. e. of Rājavāhana.

अथ &c.—Now follows a description of the Spring season on conventional lines, being much the same as that given by Kālidāsa and other Sanskrit poets. मीनकेतन &c.—*Cf.*

सकलतेनिकाङ्कवीरः मलयसमीरः *supra*, p. 3. The breeze from the Malaya Mountain is called 'the leader of Kāma's force,' because it is a great excitant of passion. मलयगिरिमहीरुह—the sandal trees. It is a popular belief that snakes feed on air; *cf.* such epithets as श्वसनशुक्, पवनशन &c.; अशनं चात्रा मरुत् कल्पितं म्यालानां &c. Bhar.'s Vair. Śat. This and the next epithet account for the breeze being very gentle (सुहृत्तर less incessant and slow). हरिचन्दन—sandal trees of the best kind. सहकार—(so called because it is a favourite resort of lovers; सह कारयति मेलयति मिथुनानि) is a kind of mango-tree known for the fragrance of its blossoms. The throats of cuckoos are supposed to be made tuneful by their tasting the young sprouts of the mango-tree. *Cf.* चूताकुरास्वादकषायकण्ठः पुंस्कोकिलो यन्मधुरं चुकूल । Kum. III. 32. कलकण्ठ—a koil or cuckoo.

P. 43. काकली—a low, indistinct sweet tone. See Rit. I. 8. कलकल—a mixed noise. 'Making the quarters ring with (noisy with) the indistinct and sweet sounds of the bees and the koils whose throats are made tuneful by their tasting the honey and the tender sprouts (or, honey in the blossoms) of the mango-trees.'

उत्कलिका—See *supra*, p. 38. मदनमहोत्सव—A festival celebrated in honour of the God of love, in Spring. रसिक—Men of taste; here, gay people, flirts. ससुहृत्सयन्—exhilarating (so as to lead them to). चूतपोलं—A young mango-tree, (or sometimes an *Asoka* tree) was generally selected by young ladies for the worship of Madana. गन्ध &c.—Consisting of various kinds such as sandal or saffron, flowers, turmeric-powder, whole grains of rice, fine silk garments and others. चीनाम्बर—China silk, the fine silken cloth imported from China, which was known for its silks from the earliest times. *Vide* our note on चीनांशुक Śāk. p. 40. काम इव वसन्तसहायः—The friendship between Cupid and Spring is a constantly recurring idea in Sanskrit poetry; *cf.* क उ ते हृदयमः सखा कुसुमाशीजितकार्मुको मधुः । Kum. IV. 24. मलय &c.—bright (majestic) with fruits, blossoms and tender foliage, grown in thick clusters from the branches gently agitated by the Malaya breeze. आर्ष आर्ष—'hearing repeatedly,' this indicates that he gently paced the region. इन्दीवर—see *com.* कङ्कार—is distinguished from केरव by its strong sweet odour. चक्रवाल—swarms of. व्याकुल—resounding with. अवन्द—great.

P. 44. गुरुहूत—*Lit.* 'The many-invoked,' is an epithet of Indra. Indra figures prominently in the R̥gveda and has the greatest number of hymns addressed to him. वा—construe with वसन्तसहायेन निर्मिता इव रराज (2. 45), and translate—'Who shone as if created by the God of love, who, wishing, on account of his longing after Rati, to make a sportive image of her, framed an excellent figure of a woman, and formed its feet out of the beauty of the autumnal lotuses growing in his pleasure-lake' &c. वसन्तसहायेन is put in for Madana; वसन्तः सहायः यस्य; see Kum. IV. 24. As to the idea of Madana creating a female form, comp. अस्याः सर्गविधौ प्रजापतिरब्रूचन्द्रो नु कान्तपमः शुक्लैरकरसः स्वयं नु मदनी &c. Vik. I. 8. समुत्सुकतया—may also be taken with रति; a longing on the part of Rati for a companion when Kāma was not with her. शालभञ्जिका—a doll. मारीविशेषं विरच्य—The writer had undoubtedly Śāk. II. 9 (चित्रे निवेश्य परिकल्पितसन्वयोगा &c.) before his mind's eye. The present passage is an amplification of the passage at p. 3 which the student should compare with this. The various parts of a woman's body forming the paraphernalia of Cupid are here described by a reverse process as forming those parts. लीलालसः—graceful and stately (अलस *lit.* slow) gait due to sportiveness. लीलामन्दिर—A sportive bower (with two plantain-trees placed in front on either side and forming a gateway). लालित्य—Softness and grace. ज्ञेयत्रयः—By means of the skill displayed in fashioning (the wheels of) his victorious car. *Cf.* वृत्तानुपूर्वे च न चातिदोषं जङ्घे शुभे मृष्टवत्स्तद्विधे । Kum. I. 35. घन—Massive. किञ्चिद्विकसत्...कोटरानुवृत्त्या—By imitating the cavity of the lotus-bud a little blown and forming his sportive car-ornament. परिपाट्या—In the manner of a flight of steps; परिपाटी is a continuous line, a regular succession. *Cf.* मध्येन सा त्रिदिशिलमभ्या बलित्रयं चारु बभार बाला । आ-रोहणार्थं नवयौवनेन कामस्य सोपानमिव प्रयुक्तम् ॥ Kum. I. 39. पूर्वकलश—'Two gold (or sometimes silver) jars are placed at the door of a *Līlāmandira* as a mark of auspiciousness.

अभिख्यार—Beauty. *Cf.* Ragh. I. 46. प्रतिविम्बीकृतं—The *bimba* fruit was a standard of comparison before the creation of her lower lip; now it became an imitation. The meaning is that her lip surpassed the *bimba* in redness. अमदूतिका—Kālidāsa also speaks of the cuckoo as a messenger of Kāma. *Cf.* त्यजत मानमलं बत विप्रहर्षेण पुनरेति गते चतुरं वयः । परभूताभिरितीव निबदित स्मरमते रमते स्म वधूजनः ॥ Ragh. IX. 47. जवजवजः—With

the *makara* proudly displayed on the flag. प्रथमगुहृद्--his dearest friend.

P. 45. लीलामयूरं--वर्हमङ्गि the wave-like arrangement of feathers, i. e. the well-arranged plumage. This shows that her tresses were decked with flowers. Poets compare the tresses of a woman, decked with wreaths of flowers of various colours, with the plumage of a peacock. Cf. मृदुपवनविभिन्नो मत्प्रियाया विनाशाद्धनरुचिरकलापो निःसपत्नोऽयं जातः । Vik. IV. 10. संमिश्र-mixed. समस्त...कर्पूर-परागेण--Her body (skin) was first washed with sandal-juice mixed with all kinds of floral juices and musk, and then polished with camphor-dust; i. e. her skin emitted a sweet smell and was of a complexion not perfectly white but white mellowed with yellow. स्वेन--by herself. She was then engaged in worshipping मदन. मदनावेशवती--Love having pervaded or thrilled through her body; or, being powerfully affected by love. क्रीडाविश्रम्भान्--stands for विश्रम्भक्रीडायाः; free sport. कानि कानि--Various and indescribable (emotions). Cf. वर्ण्ये च परिमोक्षशिनी पृष्ठतः प्रणयिनो निषेदुषः । प्रेक्ष्य विम्बमुपविम्बमात्मनः कानि कानि न चकार लज्जया ॥ Kum. VIII. 11. पुणाक्षरन्वायेन--quite accidentally. Lit. 'according to the maxim of the wood-borer tracing out a letter.' The maxim takes its rise from the fact that a certain insect (*ghuṇḍa*) sometimes makes an incision in wood or a leaf of a book which resembles a letter, but which is quite fortuitous. Hence पुणाक्षर means 'any fortuitous or chance occurrence.' Cf. Śiś. III. 58. एवंविधः--एवंविधानां, एवंविधं वा निर्माणं तत्र निपुणः. रेचित--Bent, knit. Cf. ओरचितभ्रूचतुरेः कटाक्षैः Kum. III. 5. अपाङ्गशीक्षितैः--side-glances. कुरङ्गस्य &c.--whose beauty captivated her as the net captures the deer. आनायमान is a pres. part. from the denom. from आनाय (a net); 'acting like a net.' The word आनाय is derived from आ + नी + घञ् by a special Sūtra (III. 3. 124) of Pāṇini, जालमानायः । आनीयन्ते मत्स्यादयोऽनेनैत्यानायः । जालमिति किम् । आनयः । Sid.-Kav. उत्साहितभावरसानां--The emotions and feelings of love produced in her. सामग्र्या--समग्रस्य भावः सामग्र्यं, by adding य (घञ्); सामग्री fem., the य being irregularly dropped before इ. The collection of all the necessities or implements necessary for a purpose. शरस्वाद्यमाय--a denom. from शरस्य (शरवे हितं शराय् व्यथतीति वा); 'serving as a target for.' Love affected him also. भाग्यवतीनां--Because they have the opportunities

of gazing on his beauty. पुरंभ्री—पुरं (a family) भरतीति (a comp. of the पुरोदरादि class), a woman with husband and sons living. सीमन्तभौक्तिकी—*is made to stand foremost or at the head of; lit., 'is made the pearl on the parting-line of the hair (सीमन्त)' etc. This is a त्वि-formation; she was not formerly a सीमन्तभौक्तिक, but is made one on the birth of this son.*

P. 46. असूयवेद—Through envy, as it were; for she was looking at Rāja. who laughed with derision at his beauty. सान्ध्यं—for he is मन्मथ (मतः of the mind or consciousness, मथः tormentor or destroyer). See com. भार्वाववेकैः—by observing their different feelings. उक्त—*an account.* लोकसाधारण—conveying a general sense, or sense as generally understood. देवतासोनिजकरणः—Who commands the presence of a deity (देवतासां करणं यस्य); or, who causes a goddess to reveal herself to him, i. e. who is able to know things beyond the ken of senses through divine agency. अनुवदन्त्या—Mark the force of अनु. She merely recounts what passed in her mind. संकल्पज—Madana so called because love springs from the constant meditation about a person; 'संकल्पः कर्म मानसम् ।' तेन जायते इति । Cf. संकल्पयोनि Kum. III. 24. शस्तेन—*excellent; goes with निचयेन.* सापावसानसमये—At the time the curse (pronounced by the ascetic) is about to cease. The reference is explained further on; see p. 60. जातिस्मरत्व—power to remember one's species in a previous life (also the incidents thereof). The use of this power is a favourite device of our author, utilized for bringing about love-marriages. कालजनित—suggested by the occasion. विशेषसूचक—indicative of particular circumstances. ज्ञानं—recollection. कदम्ब—a collection. निद्राधीनमानसं—with his mind in the power of (i. e. unconscious on account of) slumber. मन्दस्मित &c.—the orb of one of his cheeks blooming with a gentle smile.

P. 47. खण्ड—*a collection; here, a bed (of lotuses); cf. कुमुदवनमपत्रि श्रीमदम्बोजखण्डं Śis. XI. 64.* अनुष्ठानपरायणतया—being totally devoted to my ascetic practices (i. e. lost in contemplation). नैष्ठिक—निष्ठा मरणं तत्पर्यन्तं ब्रह्मचारी तिष्ठतीति; fr. निष्ठा + कृ. A perpetual religious student who observes a vow of life-long celibacy and abstinence, while उपकुर्वाण signifies the opposite, i. e. a Brāhmaṇa, who, although observing celibacy during the period of his study, wishes to

become a गृहस्थ (married householder) in due course. करुणाकुटुचेतः—With his mind touched with pity. अनोद्यतया—on account of the efficaciousness or infallibility of. रसेन—रस love; cf. p. 13 line 3. अभिज्ञात—recollected. रागपल्लवित—*lit.* her mind putting forth the sprouts of love; swayed or affected by love. संदेश—bidding. हासिष्य—over-courtesy, gallantry; see Śāk. VI. 4. अकार्य—an improper act, a sinful or reprehensible deed. वृक्षवाटिका—(cf. Marathi वाडी) a garden; an avenue of trees. संस्तुतिगात्रं—Cf. पौरव...आर्या गीतमीत एवागच्छति तद्विद्वान्तरितो भव। Śāk. III. p. 82.

P. 48. राजहंस—(1) a royal swan; (2) name of Rājāvāhana's father. This is an unconscious reference, on the part of Avantisundarī to Rāj.'s father. At the time of speaking she did not know who Rāj. was or to what family he belonged; the fortuitous double-meaning heightens the charm of the speech. Avanti. addresses the following two sentences apparently to a swan (—and her mother understands them as such—) but really to her lover. अक्रान्ते—suddenly, unseasonably. समुचितमिति—Because it is proper for me or behoves me to do so. मनोराग—(1) desire of the mind; (2) love. She means—'I invite you to see me again.' Cf. the similar words addressed by Śakuntalā to Dushyanta—लतावलय संतापहारक आमन्त्रये त्वं भूयोऽपि परिभोगाय Śāk. p. 83. This is called विप्रलम्भशृङ्गार. It is necessary for the development of love. सरालनिब &c.—The author should not have said this himself but left it to the sense of his readers. परिप्लव—This is a device followed by love-stricken maidens; cf. आसीद्विप्लववदना च विमोचयन्ती &c. Śāk. II. 13. बहुलपक्ष—The dark half of a month. क्षामक्षामा—extremely emaciated. रहस्यमन्दिर—the secret chamber. क्षालित—wetted with (to render them cooler). तल्प—a bed. हरिचन्द्रन &c.—Sanskrit poets usually mention these as the proper appliances for the palliation of love-torment. उशीर—A kind of plant (Mar. वाळा) the fragrant root of which has cooling properties. कल्पितानि—prepared for. शीतलोपचरणं—application of the cooling remedies. किंकर्तव्यतामूढा—At a loss to know what to do. ग्लानिपताधरया—with her lower lip parched by. ननाङ्गी—a woman with stooping limbs. The epithet implies beauty in a woman. सगद्गद—in faltering accents. कुतुभायुधः (पञ्चबाणः)—used predicatively. To her his shafts are अदोमय (made of steel) and असंख्य, cf. with this passage Śāk. III. 3

बाडवानल--The submarine fire. It is also called और्व being produced by the sage Ūrva; cf. the Śruti ऊर्वेण किल अयोनिज-पुत्रार्थिनोरुर्मथितः । तत्र ज्वालामयः पुरुषो जातस्तस्य च समुद्र आचार आसीत् । It is represented as a flame with a horse's head, and is also called Kākadhvaja from carrying a banner with a crow represented on it; तस्य समुद्राद्गच्छन्त्या ज्वालया जातबाष्पस्य तत्केतनतुल्यत्वात्तथात्वम्. It is supposed to be at the bottom of the sea and to consume a quantity of sea-water every day, thus keeping the sea within bounds; cf. तत्तत्तं क्रोधजं तात और्वोऽग्निं वरुणालये । उत्सर्जं स चैवाप उपयुक्ते महोदधौ ॥ २१ ॥ .. महोदयशिरो भूत्वा यत्तद्भविष्ये विदुः ॥ २२ ॥ Mah.-Bhā. A'di. Adh. 196. For other particulars see our note on और्व Śāk. p. 64

P. 49. पारावारः--See p 4. दोषाकरः--The Moon Mark the pun on and the propriety of the word--(1) the maker of the night (दोष); (2) the mine (आकर) of crimes (दोष). निजसहोदर्याः--Because both the Moon and Lakshmi arose from the churned ocean. कमलं--i. e. पद्मं, the day-lotus which fades away at the rise of the moon. स्वर्णीभवति--is rarefied. निजवटि--The trunk of the parent tree. उल्बणगरल--virulent poison. संकलित--infected by. अगदंकार--Lit. 'curing one of a disease; a physician. The nasal (in अगदं) is retained by Pāp. VI. 3. 70; see com. मनोजञ्जरा...कोमलाङ्गी--mark the contrast. The fever of love raged fiercest and her delicate frame was too weak to bear it. स्मरणीयां मतिं नेष्यति--is a euphemistic way of saying मारयिष्यति (will kill). कुमारयोः--Ekaśeṣha Dvandva; see com. समं--equally towards both. नृणीराजमानमानसः--so many arrows were shot into his heart by Kāma that it looked like his quiver. Notice our author's fondness for Denom. pres. participles. अन्वेषणीया--To be sought. निहिलतटं--whose folded hands, graceful like the bud of a lotus, decked her spacious forehead. इतो निषीद--is probably suggested by स बाष्पेनासनसंनिहमितो निषीदति विद्वद्वृत्तिः । &c. Kum. III. 2.

P. 50. वामनेनेव &c.--The student will remember the well-known line of Kālidāsa, 'मांगुल्ये फले लोभाद्वाहुरिव वामनः' Ragh. I. 3. सुखम्--properly means 'fortunate;' hence, one indebted to fortune for beauty; hence, handsome, lovely. अभिलषति--supply त्वं, so that the following clause becomes an independent sentence. Or, better still, construe the whole clause त्वं चित्तं कुरु तथा सुदुलम् as an object of अभिलषति--'my heart desires that you should make your heart, too, tender like your body.' A third way, but not so good, is to

treat अभिलषति as an intransitive root; 'my mind has अभिलाष (desire, i.e. love, for you).' तथा मृदुलं—'so tender' (as thy body is delicate). She hereby hints that his heart is hard. अस्यां क्रियायां &c.—i.e. your skill has fostered this love. आलवाल—आ समन्तात् लवं जललवं (particles of water) आलाति (takes; draws); a basin at the root of a tree which by holding water in it brings nourishment to the tree. सवनुरूपं—favourable to it. तद् refers to प्रवेश. संगमिष्यामि—We have the Paras. as the root is used transitively; when used intransitively it is A'tm. Cf. समो गम्यच्छिष्याम्। Pāṇ. I. 3. 29; अकर्मकायामित्येव। Sid.—Kau. शिरीषकुसुमं—The Śirīṣha flower is frequently referred to by Sanskrit poets as a standard of delicacy; cf. शिरीषपुष्पाधिकं सौकुमार्यं बाहू Kum. I. 41; Naish. VIII. 24, &c. विरहविनोदाय—To dispel his longing or the pangs of separation. चकोरलोचनां—For ladies' eyes being compared with those of the *chakora* bird, cf. Ragh. VI 59, VII. 25 &c.

P. 51. मन्मथसमाराधनस्थानं—The place where she had worshipped the image of the God of love. विलोकनवेला—'The residues, i.e. memories or mementoes, of the occurrences caused at the time' &c. शेष is what it used by one and then abandoned, marked with signs of its having been used. कर्णेजप—Those who whisper something into the ear, informers, the idea being that cuckoos and other birds inform Madana by their oodings &c. as to who are likely to be his victims. कर्णेजप is an *aluk* comp., according to 'स्तम्बकर्णयो रमिजपोः' Pāṇ. III. 2. 13, and has the sense of सूचक (a secret informer), by the Vārt. हस्तिसूचकयोरिति वक्तव्यम्। कीर—brought in simply for alliteration; the parrot is not generally mentioned in Sanskrit literature in connexion with love-matters, although the Sārikā is so mentioned.

सूक्ष्मचित्रनिवसनः—Clad in thin and variegated raiment. चतुरशेष—sumptuous apparel, beautiful or splendid dress. अभ्युल्लसत्—Throbbing, waving. ऐन्द्रजालिकविद्या—magic. इन्द्रजाल (magic) is explained as इन्द्रस्य परमेश्वरस्य जालं मायेव जालं यत्र; ऐन्द्र. is one who practises इन्द्रजाल. कोविद—adept or versed in. लीलावनि—land of pleasure. निजकार्यकरण—able to be serviceable to them. आभाषणपूर्वतया—Cf. संबन्धमाभाषणपूर्वमाहुः Ragh. II. 58, which the author had probably before his mind's eye; cf. also Pt. II. śl. 47, IV. śl. 101.

P. 52. रागातिरेक—Intense love. सततसंभोगसिद्धि—attainment of constant enjoyment. मोहवद्—confounding, stupefying

अनिमित्त—causeless, disinterested. कृत्रिमक्रिया—artificial acts, i. e. jugglery—feats, magic. विप्रलम्भ—deception, trickery. कृत्रिमप्रेम—counterfeit or unreal love. Or the expression might mean ‘who knew the tenderness born of love, caused by separation.’ This is better, as remarked by Mr. Agashe, as it would show that Vid. could realize the feelings of Rājavāhana. But in this case we have to take कृत्रिम in the somewhat unusual sense of कृत. रसभाव &c.—well-versed in the mode (way of action) and progress of sentiments and feelings; i. e. who knew how to rouse the emotion and stir the feelings of his spectators. निजवृत्तान्त—his profession. समुत्पुकावरोध—The ladies of the harem eager to behold the spectacle. कक्षान्तर—another apartment. It might also mean ‘an inner apartment,’ if we explain the comp. as कक्षाय अन्तरम्. बाधेषु नदस्तु—As the roll of the drums swelled.

P. 53. समधिकुराग—Increased curiosity. पिच्छिकाभ्रमणेषु—The whirls of his magic bundle of peacock’s feathers which is a stock article in a magician’s equipment. It is believed to possess the special effect of creating illusion in the minds of the spectators, when wielded by a conjuror. Bühler adopts the reading पिच्छिका भ्रमणेषु (two words) from Tārānātha’s ed. And he translates:—“And while he together with his attendants was violently (परिवृढं adv.) whirling brushes of peacock’s feathers in circles.” But this reading is not good. पिच्छिका is here Acc. pl.; but a conjuror waves one bundle only, and that too himself. Again, परिवृढं is to be taken as an adverb, and twisted so as to yield the sense of ‘violently.’ Mr. Agashe quotes the following gloss on the word पिच्छिका occurring in verse 48 of the Mallikā-Māruta, which will be found interesting:—
अस्याञ्जेलिककेर क्षिप्यमाणायाः प्रेक्षकमनःप्रलोभकत्वं मन्त्रशाले प्रसिद्धम् । यथोक्तं मन्त्रखण्डे इन्द्रजालेषु श्रीनिरयनाथपादे:—साधुद्रोह-मादाय महाभाण्डं विनिक्षिपेत् । खनेत्तद्भूमिमस्ये तु मासमेकं सुरक्षितम् ॥ तदुद्धृत्य विधानेन कज्जलेन तु पेषयेत् । अङ्गोलोहमिश्रं तु उच्चूलिकरजोयुतम् ॥ कृत्वा तु गुलिकां दिव्यां निक्षिपेत्ता नव जले । बहिर्पिच्छेन संस्पृश्योल्लो-लयेत्तु महानिलं ॥ महाभ्वनिं समायुक्तो बभूव नलसंयुतः । दूरयते भुवनं व्याप्य महानारिनिधिः क्षणात् ॥ रत्नराजिनीरा०—lighting or illumining the expanse of the palace with the array of their gems. नीराजन n. (०ना fem.) lit. means ‘waving light before an idol by way of worship.’ अहिपतीन्—huge serpents. नरसिंहस्व—The gen. is कर्तारि; ‘by Narasimha.’

हिरण्यकशिपु—Son of Kāśyapa and Diti, and a celebrated demon-king. By virtue of a boon from Brahmā he became so powerful that he usurped the sovereignty of Indra and oppressed the three worlds. On account of his subjecting his son, Prabhāda to unmerited cruelties for acknowledging Viṣṇu as the supreme deity, he was torn to pieces by that deity in the form of a man-lion. See Bhāg. P. VII. अभिनीय—having exhibited. महत्वाश्रयार्थः—Another example of an ungrammatical comp. संभावन—Prospect of success in मोहजनक—stupefying. मायामानवाः—men conjured up by magic. यथावयं—in due order, just as they had appeared. पायचानुयुक्त—The skilful use of. वाङ्मव—a Brāhmaṇa.

P. 54. सहचरीवर—The best of her friends. चेत्य—sweet acts of endearment. उपनयन्—creating or producing. रहः—in private. अनुलाप—her response. लोल—eager, earnestly desirous of. चतुर्दशभुवनः—The reference is to the Paurāṇic number of the *Bhuvanas*. Rājavāhana, in order to foster the feeling of love in her, entertained her with stories of heroes and heroines in the fourteen worlds, being mostly taken from the Purāṇas (the Mab.-Bhār. especially). This is according to the precept of Vātsyāyana—वर्धमानानुरागां च चान्वयार्थभिः कथाभिश्चिन्तहारिणीभिश्च रञ्जयत् Kāma-Sātra III. 3. 17. The fourteen worlds are made up of the seven celestial regions (सूर्लोक, भुवर्लोक, स्वर्लोक, महर्लोक, जनर्लोक, तपोलोक, सत्यलोक) and the seven nether regions (अतल, वितल, सुतल, रसातल, तलातल, महातल, पाताल).

विस्मयः—With her eyes dilated through wonder. चरितार्थः—has its mission fulfilled. श्रोत्रवृत्ति—The function of the ears.

P. 55. तनोपह—Dispelling ignorance. प्रदीपः—a powerful lamp. प्रत्युपकृतवती—What return can I make for your favour? अभवदीयं—not yours; not your property. सरस्वतीमुखः—सरस्वत्या (Instr.) यन्मुखग्रहणं तेन &c. Sarasvatī is represented as a rival of Lakṣmī and the two rarely as co-wives of a king; see Ragh. VI. 29. उल्लेखणीकृतः—already used by another. चुम्बयितुं—Pass. inf. of the Oau.; 'to cause it to be kissed' (by me). अम्बुजासनाः—Lakṣmī is supposed to wait on a king who is considered a portion of Viṣṇu. She thus indirectly praises Rāj. for being the common abode of Sarasvatī and Lakṣmī. गुरुपयोधरमण्डलः—This is paronomastic; (1) the orbs of her large breasts; (2) a large train of clouds.

प्रोदकन्दली—Kandali (Marathi कर्दळ) has small flowers of red colour; it has leaves similar to but very much smaller than those of Kadali, or the plaintain-tree. Kālidāsa too compares a woman's large eye to the leaf of the *Kandali* flower; cf. Vik. IV. 5. रूदराग &c.—(1) Adorned i. e. beaming with deep love; (2) tinged i. e. developed with deep colour. बहिर्बर्हीदली—The plumage of a peacock. कुसुमचन्द्रक—in which the flowers interwoven looked like the eyes in a pea-cock's tail. शार—variegated. मधुकर &c.—Thickly beset with a cluster of bees; or 'hanging disorderly like a row of bees', i. e. dishevelled and dark (मधुकरकुलवद् व्याकुलेन), if it be objected that as she was in a secluded room bees could not have been actually attracted by the flowers in her braid स्फुरदरूप—(1) augmented with the stream of its spreading reddish lustre; (2) rough with its filaments resembling the throbbing rays of the morning sun. अधरमणि—his ruby-like lower-lip. अधीर—impatiently, passionately. स्फुरित—enkindled, excited. चित्रोपचार—highly pleasing or graceful (शीकर) on account of the various means at hand (or, modes of enjoyment).

P. 56. विसगुण—A string of lotus-fibres. जालपाद—a swan, so called because it possesses webbed feet. कमलमूढ &c.—as if seized (embraced) by the moon with the strings of rays, mistaking them (his feet) for lotuses. उपगूढ—bound or tied together. उपलभ्य—on perceiving it. विह्वला—agitated; or, beside herself with excessive fear or fright. अमिपरीतमिव—i. e. their fright was as great as when a house is on fire उपहत—possessed by. अनिरूप्यमाण &c.—Not knowing how to act then and in the future. Cf. तदाऽवायतिसंशुद्धमातिष्ठन्नेति वाच्यताम् । साधु लोकद्वयग्राहि विद्वान्कर्म समाचरेत् ॥ Kām. N. X. 25. अगण्यमान— not caring for or forgetting the condition to keep the secret intact. विप्रविश्रयमान—Throwing or dashing against. आकुलीबभूव—became excited, was thrown into commotion. तुलुने समये—At this time of confusion. अन्तर्वेशिकाः पुरुषाः—The guards of the female apartments; अन्तर्वेशः अभ्यन्तरगृहं तत्र नियुक्ताः पुरुषाः. अनुभाव—majesty, effulgence; see Ragh. I. 37. निशाम्योत्पन्न—having closely eyed him and recognized him. Distinguish निशाम्य from निशम्य which means 'having heard'; cf. न्यशाम्य *infra*, p. 65. अत्यभिनिविष्ट—greatly puffed up or inflated with.

P. 57. आवर्जित—won over. आरोपित—To whom is vainly attributed the prowess of a deity, which is, however, futile,

by the silly citizens won over by his skill in the various means of deceiving them. कपटधर्मकञ्चुकः—*a religious hypocrite* (*lit.* wearing a cloak of false religiousness). *Cf.* क इदानीमन्यो धर्मकञ्चुकपवेशिनः तुलच्छन्नद्वयोपमस्य तदनुकृतिं प्रतिपश्यते । Śāk. V. p. 132. चपलः—*A mischief-monger.* ब्राह्मणशूद्रः—the despicable Brāhmaṇa. Although Rāj. was really a Kshatriya, Chanda-varmā knew him to be a Brāh. only as he lived under that designation in Avanti. एनमनुरक्ता—*For the Acc. case with the derivatives from अनु + रञ्, see A. G. § 94; and cf. Śāk. VI. 19.* शूलावतंसित—*'exalted to the dignity of the sharp-pointed stake' (lit. placed like an अवतंस on the stake, impaled).* कुलपांसनी—*disgracing or defiling the family.* निर्भर्त्सयन्—*used for निर्भर्त्सयमानः (A'tm.).* दूषित—*disfigured, fierce.* रेखाश्रुजं—*a Madhyamapad. Comp. See Com.* सर्वपौरुषातिशुभिः—*'The culminating point of,' i. e. who possessed in the highest degree all the manly virtues.* सहिष्णुतैकप्रतिक्रिया—*for which submission was the only remedy.* स्मर तस्या &c.—*स्मृ governs the Gen. case. See com., and Pāṇ. II. 3. 52.* वास्तु—a young woman; *cf. Mṛich. I. 18, 41.* विदितं—*Separate विदितवातौ + आर्ता; 'pained or distressed on hearing the account.'* आकारपक्षं—*who were attracted solely by his handsome form.* आत्मपरित्यागो—*Threatening to put an end to their lives. As they were in the palace they at once knew of Chand. 's evil intention and thus prevented him from carrying it out immediately.* अप्रभुत्वात्—*They not being the governing bodies.* संदिद्य—*informing him by a messenger.* सर्वस्वहरणं—*having confiscated all his effects or property.* कृत्वा वारुपञ्जर-निबद्धं—*Chand. should rather have selected an iron cage; perhaps the author makes him select a wooden one in his anxiety that the prince should find it easy to break through it after his feet were unfettered.*

P. 58. विलीन—*Concealed.* चूडामणि—as to the jewel dispelling hunger and thirst, see *supra* p. 28, l. 17. अङ्ग—*Name of a country situated on the right bank of the Ganges. Its capital was Champā, also called Aṅgapurī. This town stood 'on the Ganges about 24 miles west of a rocky island, and is therefore considered the same as, or situated very near to, the modern Bhāgalpur.* भेदयित्वा—*having caused a passage to be made in.* त्रात—a number of. आपतसं—*Coming from all sides (आ).* भदत्तपित्तः—*Not caring to wait for.* साक्षात्, अपुमान्—*Note that one of these words is pleonastic;*

‘appearing visibly like pride in a bodily form (incarnate).’
 अक्षमापरीतः—full of impatience or exasperation. प्रहरण—a
 blow or stroke. वर्मन्—armour. निजमर्तो *v. l.*—is not good, as
 in that case he could not have been long alive. अतिमादुष०—
 transcending that of a mortal, superhuman. प्राणबल—vital
 force, innate strength. ०समाख्यातायां—also named *Abalāratna*,
 ‘the jewel among women.’ अकल्प्यसंघः—whose intentions were
 not to be divined or comprehended. For this sense of कल् (‘to
 understand’) *cf.* अकलितमहिमानः केतनं मङ्गलानां *Māl.-Mādh. II. 9*;
 अकलितमहिमानं क्षत्रियैरात्तचापैः *Venī. V. 40*. The reading अकल्प्य-
 संघः would also mean the same. अजीगणत्—computed.
 कृतकौतुकमङ्गले—when he had performed the ceremony of
 fastening the auspicious marriage-string. For the meaning
 of कौतुक *see* *Ragh. VIII. 1*, and *Malli.* thereon. एकपिङ्गचल—
Kailāsa. एकपिङ्ग is an epithet of Kubera, who is so called
 because one of his eyes is yellow. The story is given in
Rām. Uttara. 13. Kubera, when once on a visit to
 Śiva, gazed on Pārvatī with his left eye, owing to which
 it was burnt outright and the right one was turned yellow.

एजङ्घ—*Lit.* deer-footed; swift-footed. जङ्घाकरिक—a runner,
 a courier. जङ्घसाध्यत्वादुपचाराद्व्रतिजङ्घा सेव करः राजदेयो भागः आकरः
 श्रेष्ठो वा । जङ्घाकर अस्यास्तीति जङ्घाकरिकः । ठन् (इक); जङ्घाकरी हस्ती
 यस्य इति वा । प्रभवत्—The ruling monarch. प्रतिसंदेश—a
 reply to the message. कन्वान्तःपुरदूषक—The violator of the
 secret apartment.

P. 59. जराबिलुप्त—A double *Bahuvrīhi*. ‘Whose sense of
 self-respect or insult to one’s self is rendered blunt by
 old age.’ चित्रवध—Death with peculiar tortures, such as
 causing a man to be trampled under an elephant’s feet,
 taking out his eyes &c. *Cf.* तदा स चाणक्यहतकेन विचित्रवधेन
 व्यापादितः *Mudrā. II. p. 63*. चारक—a prison. मातङ्गपति—The
 lordly elephant. उचितकल्पना—proper decorations (ornaments
 and dress). क्रीडनक—a play-thing, *i. e.* allowing the
 elephant to treat him as a toy and so to crush him
 down. राजन्यक—a multitude of warriors. शरिसगण्डः—
 with ichor flowing from its temples. तदङ्घ्रि०—तत् refers to
Rajavāhana. अनुग्रहार्द्र—full of, disposed to, favour. सोमरश्मि०
 —*Cf.* *Kād. p. 217*, where it is mentioned that the *Apsarasas*
 had fourteen families, one of which was born from the rays
 of the moon.

P. 60. **सुग्ध**—Foolish. The swan mistook her mouth for a lotus and so pursued it; cf. the similar pursuit of Śakuntalā by a bee, at Śāk. p. 25. **मन्त्रोद्ग**—the name of the lake. **वृलितं**—making his head doubly hoary by &c. **कोऽपि**—अपि is used आक्रोशे; 'he pronounced upon me an unjust curse.' **लोहजाति**—a metallic condition. **अज्ञातचेतन्वा**—consciousness being suspended. **अपरिक्षीण**—my senses retaining their powers.

वेगवत्, मानसवेग—Two names probably taken from the Kathās. (no such names being found in the list of the kings of the Ikshvāku race). **पितृप्रयुक्तवेरे प्रवर्तमाने**—when the hostilities commenced by his father (Mānasavega) were still proceeding. (Loc. Abs. constr.). Bühler, who explains पितृ० and प्रव० both as adjectives of नरवाहनदत्ते, is not correct, since we know from the Kathās. that it was Mānasavega, and not Nara., who had begun the वेर. Cf. अस्त्याषाढपुरं नाम विद्याधरपुरं गिरिः । तत्र वेगवतो राज्ञः पुत्री विद्याधराधिपः । अस्ति मानसेवगारुयो राजा भुजबलोद्धतः ॥ मायषा-ज्जुहता तेन भ्रात्रा मे दयिता तव । &c. Kathās. XIV. 1. **नरवाहनदत्ते**—Naravāhanadatta, son of King Vatsa, is the hero of the Kathāsaritsāgara (and also of the Bṛīhatkathā of Guṇāḍhya) wherein his adventures and his elevation to the throne of the Vidyādhara are related. **समसृज्यत**—entered into an alliance with. **संसृज् lit.** means 'to unite;' cf. **संसृज्यते सरसिजैरुणाशु-भिज्ञैः** Ragh. V. 69. **व्यवदायमानचन्द्रिके**—As the moon shone brightly. **व्यवदायमान** is the *prep. p.* of the pass. of दे I. Paras., to purify or to brighten. **मनोरथप्रियतमा**—The beloved of his heart (for he had not actually seen her). **अवचेन्द्रियः**—not having control over his senses. **तिरस्करीषी**—The art with which all the denizens of heaven are endowed and by which they can make themselves invisible to others.

P. 61. **त्वदङ्गपाश्र्वा**—with her head reclined on your lap. Or **अपाश्र्व** may have the usual meaning of 'support;' 'resting on your lap.' **सुप्तगार्गी**—With her body drooping on account of &c. The reading **कान्त** (for सुप्त) should have been preferred. **बान्ना**—continuity, maintenance. **संबद्धाभिः**—connected with (the creation, maintenance and destruction of the world). **प्रत्यानीयमान** &c.—'In whom the tide of passion was caused to swell again.' What is meant is this—When the prince found Avan. reclined helplessly on his lap, he tried to infuse new life into her and to stir up her passion by telling her tales about &c. This has nothing to do with the चतुर्दशभुवनवृत्तान्त mentioned at the

close of the last Uchchh., as that was narrated to her on their first meeting in order to gain her confidence and love. **निग्रह-स्तरः**—his mental resolve to seize you being precluded by your prowess. **दैवदत्तोत्साहः**—shows that he was quite cowed down in the prince's presence. **पाण्डुलोह**—silver, लोह being used in the general sense of 'a metal.' **दुष्करकर्मणा**—दुष्कराणि (difficult to be performed by others) कर्मणि (deeds of valour) यस्य; '(by a thief) of extraordinary prowess.' **नख**—nail-shaped scimitar. **उद्देश**—The precincts or environs of. **अचकितः**—moving fearlessly or undauntedly. **उद्गताधोरणः**—having knocked off the driver. **रहसा उत्तमेन**—with utmost speed. **स्तम्बैरम**—an elephant. This is an *Aluk* comp.; see com. **अद्भ्य**—adj., meaning 'large'; **अद्भ्याणि** **अद्भ्याणि** तेषां निर्घोषः तद्भ्यम्भीरेण.

P. 62. **असक्तं**—(आकृत्य) without touching it or being entangled; *i. e.* nimbly, dexterously. **तत्क्षणोप**—having disengaged himself from the clasp or fold of the embrace the very instant. **कण्व**—an iron club. **कर्पण**—a kind of instrument forked at the end. **प्रास**—a dart, a barbed missile. **पट्टिज्ञ**—a long double-edged sword (Mar. पट्टा). **सोमर**—a javelin. **परिक्षिपतः**—surrounding them. **बलनिकाय**—a collection or body of armies. **कर्णिकार**—The *Karṇikāra* flower has a rich colour but no smell. Cf. वर्णप्रकर्षे सति कर्णिकारं दुनोति निर्गन्धतया स्म चेत्:। Kum. III. 28. **कुरुविन्द**—a sapphire. The *Bhūshapā* explains कुरुविन्द as a kind of grass (dark-green in colour). **कर्णचुम्बि**—such an eye is supposed to be a mark of beauty. Cf. कामं कर्णान्तिविश्रान्तं विशाले तस्य लोचने। Ragh. IV. 13.

P. 63. **रत्ननखः**—A poniard with its hilt set with jewels. **पट्ट**—a silk-garment. **कृतहस्ततया**—being well practised in the use of weapons. The root कृ has frequently the meaning of 'to study,' 'to learn' in older language. **पादाङ्गुष्ठ &c.**—This bespeaks extraordinary physical power on the part of the rider, as he could guide the animal by using the big toes of his feet as spurs. **पर्वोपदेशः**—through his knowledge of the description formerly given. **स्त्रीबाल &c.**—Cf. Ragh. VII. 67. **आज्ञाकरः**—your slave or servant. **सोऽयमहमेव &c.**—Your Highness should consider him as my own self, only concealed under this form and the designation of *Dhanamitra*. **अपवर्जित**—scattered about, left or abandoned by the enemy, spoil. It does not seem to mean 'bestowed or given,' as stated in Apte's Dic. **अस्मद्भूय**—our allies. **गृह्यते वशीक्रियते इति गृह्यः**, fr. गृह् + य (कयप्); see Pāṇ. III. 1. 119. यद्वि

न दोषः—If your Highness does not find fault with this arrangement, i. e. approves of it. रोहिण—The Banian tree. शौम—^a white silk-garment.

P. 64. उपहारवर्मा.....विश्रुतेः—These, together with Rāj., Somadatta, Pushpodbhava, and Apahār., make up the list of the ten Kumāras. प्रहारवर्मा—is the father of Apar. and Upahār. कामपाल—son of Dharmapāla, who afterwards became the king of Kāśī. See p. 137. हर्षाविद्धं—transported with joy. कृत-ययोचितान्—who were received with proper civilities. सुहृन्नि-वेदितान्—introduced by his friends. अपश्यत्—looked upon, treated. हर्षकं—पलित properly means ‘the greyiness of hair brought on by old age;’ here, the grey hair. ‘With their grey hair bristling through joy.’

असुरविहर—Pātāla; the word occurs in Bāṇa’s H.-Ch. and also in the Kād. (p. 227, लग्नासुरविहरप्रवेशपिशाचेन). प्रसृते—dispersed. दिव्यचक्षुः—divine sight, i. e. power to know things beyond the perception of the senses.

P. 65. बुभुक्षुः—wishing to ascertain. Desid. noun in उ from बुध्. न्वक्षामयस्—शामयति is the Oau. of शम् in the sense of ‘to see;’ otherwise शामयति. Cf. निशाम्य *supra* p. 56. चूतपोतक—^a young mango-tree. उद्दिग्धवर्ण—^a with a wild look; or, apparently looking dejected. अतिथिवत्—like a guest. अतिथि is properly one who always travels; fr. अत् to go (अतति) and the Unādi aff. इथिन्; then it means one who does not stay at a place for more than a day; cf. एकरात्रं तु निवसन्नतिथिर्ब्रह्मणः स्मृतः । अनित्यं हि स्थितो यस्मात्तस्मादतिथिरुच्यते ॥ Manu. III. 102. Or न वियते द्वितीया तिथिरस्य. उपलिप्सुः &c.—wishing to learn your honour’s whereabouts. वर्तसस्थानीया—*Lit.* she who held the place of the ornament of the Aṅga-capital. The अ of the prepositions अव and अपि may optionally be dropped. See com. स्थानाय हिता स्थानीया, fr. स्थान+ईय (छ). वारयुवति—*Lit.* a woman of the multitude (वार); or वारलभ्या युवतिः a woman that can be had for a day; a harlot. तारकित—तारकाः अस्य संजाताः studded with stars; hence, chequered with. कर्णशिखण्डा—her long dishevelled tresses sweeping the ground. सानुकोर्षं—अनुकोशेन सहितं यथा स्यात्तथा। This may mean (1) with feelings of pity; or (2) full of cries of censure or abuses. अविच्छिन्नपातं—close upon her heels. आर्ति—distress. अभाजन—^a not destined to enjoy. श्रवसीय—happiness. श्व आगामि वसीयोऽत्र; fr. श्वः + वसीयस्, compar. of वसु, अ being added at the end of the comp. by श्वतो वसीयः श्रेयसः । Pāṇ. V. 4. 80.

वसुशब्दः प्रशस्तवाची तत ईयसुनि वसीयः । श्वःशब्द उत्तरपदार्थप्रशंसा-
माशीर्षिषयतामाह । मयूरग्न्यंशकादिस्वात्समासः । Sid.-Kau. आर्ताभ्यु०—
renowned for their being the asylum of the afflicted. अभ्युपपत्ति
properly means अनुग्रह, favouring a person; cf. अर्हस्यभ्युपपत्त्या
जीवितमस्या अवलम्बितुम् Sâk. III. p. 78. वित्त—famous or known for.
For this sense cf. तेन वित्तश्चक्षुष्यचणपौ Pân. V. 2. 26. पलितशार०—
First touching the ground with her braided hair interspersed
(lit. variegated) with grey, and then rising up.

P. 66. अस्या मे दोषं &c.--The Oom. seems to interpret
the line as—'Revered Sir, this (my daughter) here,
your slave, informs you of my fault.' But it seems better
to take दासी as referring to the speaker herself. 'This your
slave (the mother, and not the daughter) will tell you the
fault she (my daughter) attributes to me.' In this case
it will be better to read अस्या for अस्याः. स्वाधिकारा०—making
her perform the duties of her legitimate profession. स्वाधिकार
appears naturally to refer to the speaker (the mother), but
then we should expect अनुष्ठानं instead of the causal form
अनुष्ठापनम्. अधिकार—the sole privilege or proper office of.
अङ्गक्रिया—cultivation (improvement of the colour &c.)
of the body by besmearing it with fragrant cosmetics or
rubbing it with oil boiled with turmeric powder. संवर्धनेन—
'helping the development of;' this qualifies आहारेण. रोषाम्नि—
maintaining an equilibrium between the (three) humours,
(see Oom.), the gastric fire and the vital fluids. The seven
Dhâtus are वसांस्रिमांसमेदोस्थिमज्जाशुक्राणि धातवः । सप्तैव &c.
मितेनाहारेण—with proper viands (lit. with measured food).
उत्सवोत्तरः—characterized by, mostly consisting of; hence,
attended with. Cf. उत्सवोत्तरा पुरी *infra*, p. 203. अभ्यापनं
&c.—training her in the erotic science in all its branches.
नाट्य—pantomimic art, acting. चित्र—painting. आस्वाद्य—
confectionery, culinary art. गन्ध—preparing perfumes. पुष्प—
bouquets and garlands. वचनकौशल—Skill in expression.
सम्यग्विवनवन—training them thoroughly in. शब्द—Grammar.
हेतु—logic. सप्त—astrology. वार्ता०—a general acquaintance
with. आजीवज्ञान—The art of earning a livelihood. क्रीडाकौशल
—excelling in sportive graces or frolic. सजीविनिर्जीवाद्य—in
games of chance and strife (such as cock-fights, playing
with dice &c.); see Oom. अभ्यन्तरीकरण—giving a proper
insight into. अभ्यन्तरकला—See com. वैश्यासिक—friendly.
प्रयोगगह्व—practical knowledge. आदरप्रसाधिता—decorated with

great care. स्फीतः—attended by servants gorgeously dressed. प्रसङ्गवती—to be required on an occasion. माह्यवाचः—experts (*lit.* whose instructions must be followed).

P. 67. विदुष्वेषु—This simply means ‘in different places.’
 शिल्पवित्तकैः—professors of the different arts. कार्तान्तिक—
 palmists, astrologers. ‘Loudly proclaiming her possession
 of auspicious signs by means of’ &c. (to attract people).
 पीडमर्ष, विट—parasites, gay companions. विदूषक—the jester.
 भिक्षुकी—Buddhist or Jain nuns, who are frequently repre-
 sented in Sanskrit dramas as assisting in love-affairs. *Cf.*
infra, p. 85, ll. 16, 17; and the part played in this
 connexion by Kausiki in the *Mālav.* and by Kāmandakī
 in the *Māl.-Mādh.* समवाय—company, society. माधुर्य—
 affability or amiableness. प्रभूतसमेन युक्तेन—receiving a
 heavy price. तद्भाव—her blandishments or coquetry. वयः—
 prime of youth. अर्यशक्ति—His power of wealth, i. e.
 to give money; or, wealth and strength. शौच—honesty (i. e. one
 who would keep his word). अधिकगुणाय—possessing superior
 qualities. बहुव्यपदेशेन—giving out that he has given much.
 गान्धर्वसमागमेन—Here गान्धर्व means गान्धर्वविवाह, which is one of
 the eight forms of marriage mentioned by Manu, depending
 upon the mutual love of the two parties. *Cf.* इच्छयाऽन्योन्यसंयोगः
 कन्यायाश्च वरस्य च । गान्धर्वः स तु विज्ञेयः । Manu, III. 32. ‘By means
 of, i. e. under the pretence that, a *Gāndhāra* marriage was
 contracted.’ अलाभे &c.—When the desired money is not
 obtained (by the means suggested in the last sentence).
 कामस्वीकृते—won over by friendship. अधिकरण—the court
 (the local Panchāyat). *Cf.* Bhāṣanā quoted in the com.
 साधनम्—gaining one’s object. दुहित्रा एकचरिणीव्रत &c.—
 making the daughter remain faithful to him. नित्यनैमात्तिक &c.—
 getting by various artifices what remains of the wealth of
 lovers (गम्य—loved persons), after it has been expended by daily
 occasional, and love-gifts. लुब्धप्रायेण—may also mean ‘almost
 a miser.’ But लुब्ध in the next clause does not mean
 avaricious, as such a man can have no दानशक्ति. विगृह्यासनं—
 to reject him (असनं) after picking a quarrel with him; if we
 separate विगृह्य आसनं, then the meaning is ‘waiting, patiently
 remaining aloof from him till he comes to terms.’ प्रतिशस्तिन्—
 according to the Com. this means ‘the lover of a neigh-
 bouring courtesan.’ It may, however, mean ‘a deputy.’
 संयुक्तणम्—inciting, i. e. stirring or calling into activity the

liberality &c. वाक्संतक्षण—sarcastic remarks. लोकोपक्रोधन—taunting in the hearing of others, circulating evil reports among the people. निरोधन—withholding. अन्वाभियोग—by accepting another lover. This may also mean ‘by getting him accused by others.’

P. 68. अपवाहन—discarding. अनिन्द्य—unobjectionable. इय—wealthy people. इयेः—*v. l.* अन्येः would perhaps be a better reading. As the reading stands, however, take अनुवद्धार्यार्थं as one word. ‘Give due consideration to all doubts about the gain or loss to follow.’ सज्जता—attendance upon. सङ्ग—irrevocable or permanent attachment. She means that a harlot must show that she loves her lover, but must not be solely attached to him. मातृका—maternal grandmother. विहित—prescribed by. स्वेनेव &c.—inulging her passion at her own expense. अर्थयोग्य—capable of giving wealth. प्रत्याचक्षणया—repulsing. अहार्य-निश्चया—If she proves firm of resolve; if her resolution cannot be shaken. *Cf.* Kum. V. 8. अनद्यनेन संस्थास्यते—will starve themselves to death. दुःखाकरः—दुःखाकरोतीति; see com. Or दुःखस्याकरः the mine of, full of. अपवर्ग—final beatitude. प्रकृतज्ञान—knowledge of the highest, *i. e.* Brahman; or knowledge of the superior order, *i. e.* Brahmadevyā. कुलधर्मानुष्ठायिन्—one who, while remaining in the house, discharges the duties proper for the family. हिरण्यरेतस्—fire. उदमनायत—Imperf. of the Denom. from उन्मनस् (उन्मनागते becomes agitated or uneasy at heart). व्यसन—hardships of.

P. 69. द्यौतद्वमनीय—A couple of freshly-washed garments. उद्वमनीय itself means ‘a pair of washed garments;’ but, as the word द्यौत is used, here it should be taken to mean ‘a pair of garments,’ by the Paribhāṣhā विशिष्टवाचकानां पदानां सति पृथग्विशेषणे विशेष्यमात्रपरत्वम्. शरीरसंस्कार—her toilet, personal decoration. कुसुमो—gathering flowers and collecting them into a heap. उच्चय—plucking flowers from the trees; अवचय—gathering those dropped on the ground; this is according to Bhāṣanā. According to Pāṇini (हस्तादाने चेरस्तेये), when flowers are plucked by the hand, *i. e.* are within reach, ‘चाय is the form used except when theft is meant. So अवचय ought to mean ‘the collection of flowers out of reach knocked down by means of a stick’ or so; हस्तादाने हस्त्यनेन प्रत्यासत्तिरादित्यस्य लक्ष्यते । पुष्पप्रचायः । हस्तादाने किम् । वृक्षाद्य-स्थितानां पुष्पाणां यद्व्या प्रचयं करोति । Sid.—Kau. But writers do not seem to observe such rigid distinctions. नैक—न एके विकल्पा येषां, of different sorts, or differently arranged. कामसासन—

Śiva. त्रिवर्ग—The three objects of human pursuit, viz. Dharma, Artha and Kāma. अनुरूपेः—carried on in accordance with her ability. रक्त—affected by passion. गणयति—matches with. Dharma ought to be regarded as of supreme importance; Artha and Kāma must be subordinate to it; i. e., the latter two must be secured in such a way as not to violate the principles of the first. केनांशेन—in what degree. लज्जा—लज्जया मन्थरं यथा स्यात्तथा in a manner slow on account of bashfulness. इतः अनात्—‘from a person like myself.’ This must be read with a *Kāku* (a change or modulation of voice so as to indicate a question). बलाबल—their respective strength or weakness, i. e. superiority or inferiority; their being of greater or less importance. अनुत्पत्तिरेव—for धर्म is the root of all. Unless founded on Dharma, Artha and Kāma cannot have lasting existence. *Cf.* त्रिवर्गस्य धर्ममूलो नरेन्द्र राज्यं चेदं धर्ममूलं वदन्ति। Mah.-Bhār. तदनपेक्षः—अविद्यमाना अपेक्षा यस्यासौ अनपेक्षः, तयोः अनपेक्षस्तदनपेक्षः, irrespective of the other two; not standing in need of the support of the other two. धर्मः—here धर्म is used in the sense of निवृत्तिलक्षण or that which leads to the attainment of Moksha, and for which contemplation is necessary. आत्मसमाधानं—आत्मसमाधानं concentration of the mind एव आत्मसमाधानमात्रं तेन साध्यः. आत्मसमाधानं may also mean a ‘a composed or serene state of the soul.’ नास्त्याद्यत्ते—does not much depend on (external agents). तत्त्वदर्शन—knowledge of the reality, which according to the Vedānta consists in realizing the identity of the universal and the individual souls. उपबृंहित—supported.

P. 70. बाधते—is affected by or interfered with. प्रतिसमाहितः—counteracted, recovered. निर्हृत्य—eradicating. तथा हि—Now she shows how Dharma, though a little affected by Kāma, finally gained its ascendancy over the other two.

पितामहस्य तिलो—पितामह is Brahmā. It is difficult to see to what account Daṇḍin refers here. The story of Tilottamā is given in Mahā. Aḍip. 231. The gods, oppressed by the demons Sunda and Upasunda, approached Brahmā for redress. He commanded Viśvakarman to create a matchless beauty that would bring about the destruction of the demons. This was तिलोत्तमा. As she started on her mission, she went round the gods, when she appeared so fascinating that all the hosts of gods, Śiva and Indra included, and sages, remained gazing upon her, except Brahmā. *Cf.* तिलं तिलं समानीय रत्नानां यद्विनिर्मिता। तिलोत्तमेति तत्तस्या नाम चक्रे पितामहः।कुर्वत्या तु तदा तत्र मण्डलं तत्पदक्षिणम्। इन्द्रः

स्यानुश्च मगदः न वेयेण तु परिच्युतो ॥ &c. So this could not have been the story referred to by our author. भवानीपते:—"It is said that S'iva once visited a forest in the form of a religious mendicant and the wives of the Rishis residing there fell in love with his great beauty, which the Rishis, perceiving, resented; in order, therefore, to overpower him, they first dug a pit, and by magical arts caused a tiger to rush out of it, whom he slew, and taking his skin wore it as a garment."—Dowson.

पद्मनाभस्य—i. e. Kṛishṇa, the son of Vasudeva and Devakī, and considered as the eighth incarnation of Viṣṇu. He had sixteen thousand wives. See Bhāg.—P. X. 59. 33; 69. 8, 44.

प्रजापतेः स्वदुहितरि—i. e. सरस्वत्या; she is identical with संध्या; cf. गायत्री नाम पूर्वाह्ने सावित्री मध्यमे दिने । सरस्वती च सायाह्ने सेव संध्या त्रिधा स्मृता ॥. The story is thus related—Brahmā saw his daughter, Sāṁdhyā, of exquisite beauty, and being incestuously disposed towards her, tried to approach her. Ashamed of her father's conduct she became a doe; upon this Brahmā also became a male deer and followed her. Śiva, seeing this, shot an arrow at him, whereupon Brahmā, shorn of his head, stood in the sky in the form of the constellation Mṛigaśīras or Orion, while the arrow of S'iva remained as the constellation A'rdrā. Cf. Mahimnastotra śl. 22; cf. also Kālikā—P.—ब्रह्माऽपि तनयां संध्यां दृष्ट्वा पूर्वमथात्मनः । कामायाशु मनश्चक्रे त्यक्त्वा बुद्धिं हृतेति वै ॥ तस्याश्च चलितं चित्तं कामबाणविलोडितम् । ऋषीणां पश्यतां तेषां मानसान् महत्तमनाम् ॥ &c. See our note on Kum. IV. 41. Sāṁdhyā or evening twilight is the daughter of Brahmā. Kumārila-bhaṭṭa explains away the fable by saying that Brahmā is the Sun, while संध्या is his daughter Aruṇa (the Dawn). प्रजापति-स्तावत्प्रजापालनाधिकारादादित्य एव उच्यते । स चारुणोदयवेलायामुषस्सु-दयज्ञायेति । सा तदागमनादेवोपजायते इति तदुद्दिष्टत्वेन व्यपदिश्यते । तस्यां चारुणकिरणाख्यबीजनिक्षेपास्त्रीयुरुषसंभोगवदुपचारः इति ।

अहर्त्वाजारता—According to the Purāṇas Indra seduced Ahalyā, the wife of Gautama. One version of the Rāmāyaṇa represents that she knew the god, but being flattered by his condescension yielded to his desire; but another version states that the god assumed the form of her husband and entered the dwelling while Gautama had gone out for ablution, and so deceived her. According to another story Indra secured the help of the Moon who assumed the form of a crow and crowed at midnight. This roused Gautama to his morning devotions,

when Indra went in and took his place. Gautama, when he knew of her seduction, cursed her to be a stone and remain invisible until she should be touched by the feet of Râma the son of Daśaratha and be restored to her former shape. The Vedic version of the story, however, represents Indra as the sun and Ahalyâ as the personification of the early morning. Kumârilabhaṭṭa explains the seduction by Indra's (the Sun's) gradually carrying away the shades of the night (अहल्या) एवं समस्ततेजाः परमेश्वरत्वनिमित्त इन्द्रशब्दवाच्यः सविता एवाहनि लीयमानाया रात्रेरहल्याशब्दवाच्यायाः क्षयात्मकजरणहेतुत्वात् जीर्यत्यस्मादेन बोदितेनेति अहल्याजारः, न परस्त्रीव्यवहारात् । Tantravārttika.

सशाकुन्व—The Moon or Soma performed the Râjasāya sacrifice, and became in consequence so arrogant and contentious that he carried off Târâ, the wife of Bṛhaspati, and refused to give her up either at the entreaties of her husband or at the command of Brahmâ. A fight ensued, in which Soma had his body cut into two by Śiva's trident. At length Brahmâ interposed, stopped the fight and compelled Soma to restore Târâ to her husband. The result of the intrigue was the birth of Budha, the progenitor of the lunar race. See Vishṇu-P. IV. 6.

वडवालङ्घनम्—Samjñâ (संज्ञा) the daughter of Viśvakarman and wife of Sūrya (the Sun), not being able to bear her husband's effulgence, gave him Ohhâyâ (shade) for a handmaid and herself retired to the forest to devote herself to religion. While thus engaged and in the form of a mare, the Sun saw her and approached her in the form of a horse, the result of their union being the two Aśvins. According to another account, Samjñâ, not getting permission from her husband to go to her father's house, created, by her superhuman power, a woman exactly like herself (who was as it were her shadow and therefore called छाया), and putting her in her own place went away. Ohhâyâ bore to the Sun three children and lived quite happily with him, so that when Samjñâ returned he refused to take her back. Thus repudiated and disappointed, she assumed the form of a mare and roamed over the earth. The Sun, however, on knowing the real state of things, sought his real wife whom he found in the form of a mare. He accordingly assumed the form of a horse and was united with her who bore him two sons, the Aśvinikūmaras.

अनिल—Vāyu. केसरिकलत्र—This was Añjanā, the mother of Hanumat. She was the heavenly nymph Puñjikasthali born on earth owing to a curse. Once, as she was sitting on the summit of a mountain, assuming a human form of exquisite beauty, her garment was slightly displaced, and the god of wind, being enamoured of her, appeared before her in a visible form and expressed his desire for her. She accepted his suit on condition that her chastity should remain inviolate. This the god granted and blessed her with a son who was his equal in power, and who came to be called 'Māruṭi' after him. उत्तरय—Son of Aṅgiras and elder brother of Bṛihaspati and Samvarta. Bṛihaspati was father of Bharadvāja. by Mamatā, the wife of Utathya. While Mamatā was pregnant, Bṛihaspati approached her with a carnal desire. She protested, telling him that she was pregnant, but Bṛihaspati violated her. Even the child in the womb protested against such unnatural conduct, but Bṛihaspati getting angry cursed the child to enter permanent darkness. The child was therefore born blind and was called Dīrghatamas.

राक्षक्या—Satyavati. The sage Parāśara saw her as she was plying her father's boat across the river Yamunā when she was quite a girl, and became enamoured of her. She yielded to his wishes on condition that her virginity should not be violated and thus became the mother of Vyāsa. See Mahābh. A'dip. 64.

पाराशर्यस्व—Of Vyāsa. भ्रातृदत्तः—The wives of Vichitravīrya, Ambikā and Ambālikā. As Vichitravīrya died childless, Satyavati called on Vyāsa to raise up issue to his half-brother; Dhṛitarāshṭra, Pāṇḍu and Vidura were born as the result of the request. अत्रेः—Atri was a celebrated sage and author of many Vedic hymns. In the Svāyambhava Manvantara, he appears as one of the ten Prajāpatis. At the beginning of the present Manvantara he was born from the flames of Agni. Anasūyā was his wife in both the lives. In the first she bore him three sons, Datta, Durvāsas and Soma. See Apte's Dic. वृष्टे—We do not know to what incident in Atri's life the author refers here.

आसुरविप्रलम्भनानि—Lit. deceitful or evil practices worthy of demons; hence, unworthy acts. Or it may mean 'the deceivings of or deceits practised on the Asuras,' such as Viṣṇu's deceiving Bali in his Vāmanāvatāra or depriving the gods by a trick of their share of Amṛita. धर्मपीडा &c.—do not affect

or constrain. रजः—(1) the quality of that name; (2) dust. उदीर्णं—With his passion inflamed or augmented. Cf. उदीर्ण-
रागप्रतिरोधकं जनैः &c. Śiś. I. 31. न धर्म उपरुद्धते—Their piety is
not affected or impaired. किं रूपौ &c.—what are their natures,
their attending circumstances or concomitants &c. He thus
indirectly asks her to explain these to him.

P. 71. पाशुपाल्य—Tending cattle. तीर्थ—worthy objects;
cf. वित्तस्य पात्रे व्ययः 1. कामस्तु—By Kāma she means शृङ्गार which
has रति or love for its स्थायिभाव, man and woman for its
substratum (आलम्बन), and favourable place, time, &c.
(अभिमतदेशकालादि) for its उद्दीपन or excitants. स्त्रीदुसौ—Note the
comp.; see com. बावद्—All that. परस्परविमर्द—close contact
with each other; hence, mutual satisfaction. स्मर्यमाणमधुरं—
of delightful recollection. अनुत्तम—supreme. स्त्रीरिनाभि-
मानं—By अभिमान the Bhūṣhaṇā understands सार्थक्यबुद्धि, in
which one feels that one has obtained the object of existence.
But it seems better to take अभिमान to mean 'jealous anger';
उदीरितः ejected, cast aside अभिमानः यस्मिन्. Cf. the meaning of
उद्धृत्य *infra* p. 72; also रयजत मानमलं त्वत् विशहेर्न पुनरेति गतं चतुरं वयः ।
परश्रुणाभिरिनीव निवेदिते स्मरमते रमते स्म वधूजनः ॥ Ragh. IX. 47.
विशिष्टस्थान—i. e. holy places. नियतिबलान्न—It may be, through
the power of fate. बुद्धिमान्द्य—mental infirmity. सुदूरं—To
a great degree, very much. मञ्जु—beautiful. दूयमानं—feeling
uneasy or uncomfortable.

P. 72. उद्विहीत—'rose up'. Imperf. 3rd pers. sing. of
हृ to go. परिवर्हे—retinue स्वार्थः &c.—You should mind
(return to) your holy task. उद्भ्राश्य—being greatly agitated
or bewildered. संघर्ष—a conflict or contest (for superiority).
आवर्जितवतीव—as if you have won the affection of or subdued.
दास्यं—on condition that the vanquished should be the
servant of the other. कृतानुशयः—mortified, full of repent-
ance. शून्यवत्—like one vacant-minded. स्वशक्तिं—gener-
ated or excited by her power.

P. 73. स्वर्द्यं—*scil.* Apahāravarman's object. तन्मनः—
The darkness of ignorance which once more fell off from
(i. e. left) his mind. The style here approaches Bāṇa's. राग—
mark the pun on राग which means (1) passion; (2) redness.
तस्मिन्—i. e. the Muni's (Marīchi's) tale. वैराग्याणि—वैराग्य
also has a double meaning—(1) the loss of राग or bright
colour (विगतो रागः येषां तानि विरागाणि तेषां भावः वैराग्यं); and

(2) passionless state or disgust for worldly pleasures. अनुसृत्य—having slept after he had gone to bed. दावकरूपे—The red-dish orb of the morning sun is compared to a wild fire on the summit of the rising mountain. अवधिरिणि—i. e. surpassing in redness. अरुणाचिचि—अरुणाः अचिचिः यस्य of red rays; i. e. the morning red sun. उदचलम्—The root चल् with उद् is Âtm. when used transitively, not otherwise; see Pân. I. 3. 53. क्षपणकविहारः—a convent of Jaina mendicants. The Oom. says सौगतावासस्य, but further on it is said to be a जेनायतन (p. 75, l. 2). असृष्टसमाधि—who had not yet taken to asceticism; for this sense of *Samādhi*, cf. अस्येतदन्यसमाधिभीरुत्वं देवानां Śāk. I. p. 31; Kum. V. 45. Or समाधि may mean 'abstract contemplation,' which is the last of the eight stages in the practice of Yoga. आधिक्षीण—reduced by mental worry or anxiety. अनभिरूप—ugly. कृपणवर्ण—miserable-looking. शिथिलित—'with the dirt of the body loosened;' this shows that he was very dirty. क...क—shows the great disparity between the two.

P. 74. प्रसिद्धि—I came to be known by the nickname of कलागुणेः समृद्धः—accomplished, highly skilled in the different arts. पौरधूर्त—the rogues among the citizens. व्यवतिकर—bandying reproachful words, mutual abusing. पुंस्त्वमूलं—The test of manliness. सुभगपताका—The banner of being fortunate (as being declared the more handsome of the two). Or सुभग may be taken in the sense of सौभाग्य (भावप्रधानो निर्देशः), which means 'the state of being loved by women.' व्यवस्थापयन्—settled, determined. स्मरान्मादहेतु—The cause of inflaming her passion. अपाङ्गदाम—lit. a string, i. e. a succession of side-glances. The comparison of glances, cast by ladies having dark-blue eyes, to a garland of blue lotuses is by no means rare. Cf. अविरलनिव दाम्ना पोण्डरीकेण नद्धः Māl.-Mādh. III. 16; मद्यन्तिकामकरन्दयोः दलितनीलोत्पलदामसदृक्षाः कटाक्ष-विशेषाः । Ibid. IV. p. 86 &c. सुभगमन्वेन—see com.; 'I who considered myself blessed.' By आरम्भमाने स्वश्च । Pân. III. 2. 83, मन् takes स्वश् or गिनि in the sense of 'one considering oneself as' (स्वकर्मकं मनने वर्तमानान्मन्यतेः सुपि स्वश् चात् गिनिः । पण्डितमात्मानं मन्येत पण्डितमन्यः पण्डितमानी । Sid.-Kau.). मल मङ्गकशेषः—With a strip of cloth only remaining to me for covering the privities; i. e., reduced to utter penury.

P. 75. अपवाहितः—driven off, discarded. प्रपद्य लक्ष्यतां—having reached the state of being the target of; having become the laughing-stock of the people or the butt of public

ridicule. जेनायतने—A convent of the Jainas proper (and not Buddhistic mendicants who are also sometimes called Jainas, from जिन a name of Buddha). The Jainas are mainly divided into two classes, the Śvetāmbaras and the Digambaras ('who have the directions for their clothing,' i. e. who move about in a state of nudity). प्रकीर्णं—Because the Buddhist and Jaina mendicants are forbidden to attend to bodily comforts and so they do not much care to cleanse their bodies. प्रबल &c.—प्रबला केशलुञ्चनव्यथा यस्य. This *kes'aluñchana* (pulling out the hair) forms a part of the initiatory ceremony when a man becomes a Jaina Bhikshu. It is common to both the sects; cf. लुञ्चिताः पिच्छिकाहस्ताः पाणिपात्रा दिग्म्बराः । ऊर्ध्वाशिरो ग्रहे दातुर्वितीयाः स्युर्जिनर्षयः ॥. See सर्वदर्शनसंग्रह, अर्हितदर्शन. नवग्रहः—Newly caught (and not broken in yet)* यन्त्रणा—restraint. द्विजातिः—here, a Vais'ya. पाषण्डं—The Jainas (as not recognizing the authority of the Vedas) are called पाषण्डs or heretics. विहित—established, laid down. अपवाद—blasphemy. प्रस्य—after death. निरयः—निर्गतः अयात् (अयः शुभावहो विधिः) इति निरयः; hell. प्रत्याकलित—having realized to myself. दुर्नयः—deviation from the proper path. पिण्डी—the *Asoka* tree. पर्याप्तं &c.—I give vent to my tears.

P. 76. लुब्धसमुद्गर्ण—Abounding in misers and wealthy people, the miserly wealthy; construe पुं लुब्धसं प्रायपति उपलभ्य. अर्थानां &c.—Wishing to restore them to their primitive natures by proving to them the transitoriness of property (which he would do by robbing the one class of what they had earned by unjust means and the other of what they coveted so fondly). अमुन्—this is faulty grammar; अमुन् stands for लुब्धसमुद्गर्ण, but it does not directly refer to them. कर्णसुतं—*Lit.* the track first beaten by Karṇāsuta; i. e. I resolved to take to the life of a robber. कर्णसुत is Mûladeva, also known as कलावुरा (cf. कलावुरा इव विदितनगरमण्डनाः—Vāsava-dattā of Subandhu) and मूलभद्र; he is regarded as the founder of the art of thieving. He is referred to by Śūdraka in his *Mṛich.* and by Bāṇa in his *Kād.*—कर्णसुतकथेव संनिहित-विगुलाचला; see our note on this. He is thus described by Kshemendra in his *Kalāvīlāsa*—तत्राभूत्भिभूतमभूतमायानिकाय-शतधूर्तः । सकलकलानिलयानां धुर्यः श्रीमूलदेवाख्यः ॥ अक्षधूर्त—अक्षेण धूर्तः अक्षधूर्तः; those skilled at dice-throw. अक्षभूमि—is the chequered cloth on which the wooden pieces are placed. हस्त—skill (in using the hand) got by practice; skill in

ogging dice and shifting a piece. कूटकर्माणि—tricks (to secure a favourable throw). संरम्भविचेष्टितानि—desperate acts. सभिक—सभा गूतमाभ्यवसेनास्यास्तीति; fr. सभा + इक (ठ्) which is added to words of the ब्राह्मादि group. सभिक means 'the president of gamblers,' or the keeper of a gambling house. Transactions done with his knowledge or sanction were held to be legal. See Mñich p. 48 and our note on the word. प्रत्यक्ष-प्रत्यक्षान्—transactions begun with the knowledge of. न्यायबल &c.—'Consisting chiefly in the employment of reasoning, force and boldness.' (Bühler). अङ्गीकृतार्थः—In which the wagers or stakes could be enforced. बलिपु सान्त्वनानि &c.—To wheedle the strong and bully the weak. पक्षरचना—creation of partisans. उच्चावधानि &c.—proffering or holding forth all sorts of tempting advantages. उरक् च अवाक् च उच्चावचं, *lit.* great and small, high and low. ग्लह—a stake or bet. प्रवेद—may mean 'different ways of,' or 'the breaking of.' वृत्तसंविभाग—distributing the spoil किञ्चित्प्रमादः—Who was somewhat careless in casting the dice; or, who made a blunder in moving a piece. अशिक्षितः—not well-trained; i. e. a novice in the art. व्यवसजत्—began to play with me. व्यतिवज्ज means 'to be mutually connected;' *cf.* for this sense व्यतिवज्जति पदार्थानान्तरः कोऽपि हेतुः Uttar. VI. 12.

P. 77. तदर्थे—According to law the Sabbhika was entitled to 5 p. c. of the money won at gambling when the amount exceeded one hundred; when below that he was to get 10 p. c.; see Yāj. II 199. Apabár. gave the Sabbhika half the amount to please him, and to impress his mind with his nobility of heart. पार्थिवमान &c.—is a faulty comp. अस्त्युदारमभ्यवहारविधि— a splendid feast. यन्मूलः—on whose account. दुरोधर—दुष्ट-मासमन्तादुर्गं यस्य; gambling. सारतः—As regards their wealth. अर्धोरुक— a garment reaching half down to the thighs; an upper-garment, a veil. कौशेयकः—कुक्षौ भवः, a sword hanging by the arm. फणिसुख— a scoop, an instrument for digging. काकली—According to the Com.—‘ scissors;’ according to the Bhúshana—‘ a whistle,’ a musical instrument with a low tone used by thieves to ascertain whether persons are asleep or not. संदंशक—tongs. पुरुषशीर्षिक— a sham head (to be inserted into the hole made in a wall). योगचूर्ण—magic powder; the same as the योगरोचना used by शर्बिलक in the Mñoh.; for its properties cf. अनया हि समालम्ब्य न मां द्रव्यमिति दक्षिणः । शक्यं च पतितं मात्रे उच्यते नोत्पादयिष्यति ॥ Mñoh. III. 15.

योगवसिका—a magic wick. See com. मानसूत्र—a measuring thread. कर्कटक—a wrench; a crab-shaped instrument. Wilson takes it to mean 'a hook (shaped like a crab)' and connects it with रज्ज; 'a rope with a hook at the end by which to climb up.' भ्रमरकरण्डक—a box containing a beetle or bee to put out a light. उपकरण—implement. लुब्धेश्वर—a great miser, or लुब्धश्चासौ ईश्वरश्च an avaricious, rich man. संधि च्छिन्ना—removing the bricks, i. e. making an opening in the wall. पटभास—the interstices in a lattice-window. This may mean—'he saw through the hole of a lattice-window.' Or rather, 'making at first a hole in the wall of the size of &c.' According to the Bhūshaya (which reads पटभास), this means 'an optical instrument.' प्रवृत्ति—the state of things inside. नीवी—The money-box. It appears from the succeeding events that it was not a big box, but a purse containing costly jewels or ornaments. जलहृदा—lightning; शतं हवाः rays यस्यां or शतं हृदाः अभ्यक्तशब्दाः यस्याः; a comp. of the पृषोदरादि class. नगरमोष—The theft committed in the city. निःसंवाधवेला—a time when the streets were not crowded. उन्मिषत्—glittering in the darkness.

P. 78. वासगद्गं—in faltering accents through fear. अर्थ-वर्थः—The prince of merchants. अर्थः is fr. कृ 1 P. to go, + य (यत्); कृ takes यत् in the sense of 'a master or Vaisya;' otherwise it will take वयत्; as आर्थः ब्राह्मणः. अन्यमानात्—consented to give in marriage, betrothed. स पुनः—सः goes with मे पिता. दुरिद्रति—Loo. Abs. श्लाघ्यनामम्—The praiseworthy epithet. वरयत्येष तस्मिन्—When he was quite willing to marry me. सार्थबाहू—the leader of merchants trading with foreign countries. वृत्तसंकेता—See com.; also, प्रियतमाय वृत्तः संकेतो यया, 'having given an intimation to.' मन्मथामिसरा—guided by Cupid. अभिसरामि—simply means 'go to;' it has not got here its technical sense of 'going for enjoyment.' Cf. Bhāṣaṇā—नेयमभिसारिका। तादृशरतिमुखेच्छयाऽभिसरणाभावात्। 'रतार्थिनी तु संकेते याति या साऽभिसारिका' इति रसस्नहः। 1. भाण्डं—a collection of ornaments. नागरिकबल—a party of policemen, the city watch. सुदुः—gentle, happy. वयमिमां—Here वयं stands for आवां; see com. which quotes Pāṇ. I. 2. 59. एकत्रे द्वित्रे च विवक्षिते अस्मदो बहुवचनं वा स्यात्। वयं ब्रूमः। पक्षे अहं ब्रवीमि, आवां ब्रूवः, इति वा। Sid.—Kau. भाविष्ये—affected with the pangs of venom spreading through my body. दर्षाकर—a snake. दर्षी दर्ष्याकारः कणा एव करो यच्च प्रहारसाधनत्वात्। दर्षी कणां करोति इति वा।

P. 79. बाष्पदुर्दिनाक्षी—Her eyes shedding a profusion of tears. नरेन्द्राभिधानी—Proud of his being an adept in poison-treatment. सुद्धा—a particular shape given to the forehead by intertwining the fingers, at the time of worshipping, or propitiating a deity, &c.; cf. योजनास्तवदेवानां द्वावणास्पापसंहतेः । तस्मान्मुद्रेति सा ख्याता सर्वकामार्थसाधनी ॥ इति तन्त्रसारः. This had the same effect as the magnetic passes of modern hypnotism have. तन्त्र—magical and mysterious formularies for the propitiation of deities or the attainment of superhuman power (as opposed to the repetition of spells). उपक्रम्य—having treated me. अकृतार्थ—being unsuccessful. कालवष्ट—bitten by Death or by a deadly snake. स्तब्धदयाव—stiff and darkened. रुद्धा—fixed, glazed. अतिवर्धते—goes beyond, opposes.

•पादित्वाप्तः—which pierced the darkness by the stream of its splendour. वाक्पुनः &c.—Mark the play on the words दत्ता and अपहृता. 'You have given me my beloved, but deprived me of the power of speech;' i. e. I am so much overwhelmed with satisfaction and wonder at this your conduct that I can find no words to express myself. According to the Bhushanā the rhetorical figure is परिवृत्ति here. स्वस्कर्म्म &c.—There seems to be some confusion here in the text. The न after इदं found in many editions and adopted by Bühler* does not yield a good sense. The Bhūshanā also seems to read the same. We adopt the reading ननु for न, reading—वक्तुम् ।...अद्वुतमिति । इदं ननु ते &c. Now Udāra explains how he is unable to express himself; he proposes one explanation which ends with इति; but the next clause shows the impropriety of this. This constitutes the rhetorical figure आक्षेप. Thus he says—'(If I were to say) this your act (viz. your escorting this damsel to me and restoring the ornaments) is wonderful (then it might be urged) that your character, indeed, appears to be marvellous; and so there is nothing extraordinary in this; it is a thing that can be naturally expected from such a person.' प्रतिनियतैव वस्तु—He means that each individual is made of different stuff, and therefore exhibits only those qualities which are peculiar to

* "For, I do not know how to describe this wonderful deed of yours. (If I were to say, 'This deed) is not in keeping with your character, it appears marvellous, no other (thief) has acted thus before you,' (it might be objected) that the power of things &c." (Bühler's tr.). Here the आक्षेप is not properly brought out.

or inherent in its nature. So others in whom covetousness and such other vices are found may not do it. But in you, they are absent; so there is no point in saying that no one else has done so.

P. 80. स्वयाऽद्य &c.—(If I were to say)—‘To-day you have shown what saintly character is, that would not do; since most your previous acts must have been of such nature (and so I might offend you).’ Bühler translates—“If I were to say—‘You have shown yourself to-day a saint’, (that description would be wrong because) it does not agree with your acts performed in former births, *i.e.* your generosity shows that in former births you must have performed many meritorious acts; because you could not act so generously if you had not done so; hence you cannot be said to have begun a course of saintliness to-day.” But this is far-fetched.

स्वशास्त्रं &c.—‘It will not be reasonable to arrive at such a decision without having correctly estimated (or, formed a proper notion about) your noble nature (for you might have done nobler acts previously).’ आशय may also mean ‘opinion.’ असारं—something worthless or unsubstantial, *i.e.* his own self. भत्तिगरीयसा—by a heavy price (obligation). इति स ते प्रज्ञा०—It will be an insult to your high mental powers (for it would mean you do not know how to make a purchase). तदलाभे—had I not obtained my beloved (this body should have perished). So स्वयैव दत्तं—my body is virtually a gift from you. प्राप्तकूपं—excellent for the occasion; fit for me to say. See com. प्रतिपत्तिः—course, way of action; ‘what course of conduct do you mean to adopt now?’ जिहासामि—I wish to leave स्वदेशः &c.—*Cf.* को वीरस्य मनीषिणः स्वविषयः को वा विदेशस्तथा। Hit. I प्रत्यवायभूयिष्ठ—beset with dangers. शैथिल्य—deficiency. Such an abandonment of the native place bespeaks something like want of talent and spirit (mental calibre), on one’s part. अविचारानुमतेन = अविचारकृतमनुमते यस्य तेन; an awkward comp., if not positively wrong; ‘who assented without any more thought,’ *i.e.* readily. अपसर्पभूतया—Who served as our spy or guide. मुक्ताण्डावशेषं—Leaving (*i.e.* everything except) the earthen vessels. नागरिकसंपत्ते—as we encountered a party of the town-police.

P. 81. म्रेश्वर—प्रीतायां भवं श्रेयसं by adding दन् (एय) to प्रीता; the neck-chain. पातितः—Who stooped to strike a slanting blow with his tusk on the broad chest of the driver that was thrown down. For परिणत see com.; and *cf.* वपक्रीडापरिणतगजप्रेक्षणीयं दर्श

Megh. I. 2; also Śis. IV. 29, Kir. VI. 7. **पुरित्**—An intestine near the heart. 'With his tusk encircled with his entrails.' **अक्षिणीत्**—destroyed (the city-guard). **शाखाग्राहिक्या**—by catching hold of the branches of a tree (and holding to them till the animal passed on).

पद्मरागशृङ्ग—A peak formed of rubies. Dissolve **उद्याचलेन्द्रस्य पद्मराग**. **आपीड**—a cluster. **पतङ्ग**—the sun. **प्रगेतन**—to be performed in the morning. **तन** is added to adverbs of time such as **सायं** (cf. **सायंतने सवनकर्मणि** Śāk. III. 24), **चिरं**, **प्रगे** &c. in the sense of 'of that time;' see Pāṇ. IV. 3. 23. **अस्मत्कर्मणुमुलं**—astir on account of our deeds. **वधूगृहेषु**—The pl. may be accounted for by supposing that the word used here is **गृह** *m.* and *pl.* (the house with its environs). **कुलपालिका**—name of Kuberadatta's daughter. **हृपहरे**—in secret. **चर्मरत्न**—This bag of excellent leather; or, handsome leather-bag; or, a leather-bag for holding gems. **मूलहरस्वमेत्य**—come to be deprived of my paternal wealth or my principal stock of wealth. The other sense given by the Bhāṣya does not seem to be good. **अर्थिवर्गात्**—to be construed with **एत्य**.

P. 82. **उपनगरं**—उपनगरं भवं उपनगरभवम्; **सुप्तुपोति समासः** । **कण्ठन्यस्त**—when about to place the weapon on my neck; here the p. p. has the sense of 'immediate futurity' by the Vārttika **अधिकर्मणि निष्ठा वक्तव्या**. **अवज्ञासौदर्य**—The sister of contempt; i. e. which exposes one to constant humiliation. **आत्मस्वाय**—suicide. **आत्मना**—by personal efforts; construe this with **उद्धरन्ति**. Cf. **उद्धरतात्मनाऽऽत्मानम्** Bg. VI. 5. **प्रतिसंधान**—rejoining. **मन्त्रसिद्धः**—possessing the power of spells, rendered efficacious. **मन्त्रेषु सिद्धः**, or **मन्त्राः सिद्धाः यस्य**, the comp. being taken as one of the **आहिताग्न्यादि** class. **साधिता**—endowed with magical power or properties. **लक्षग्राहिणी**—holding or granting lacs of coins by being operated upon by *mantras*. **कावक्ष**—Name of a country which extended from the banks of the Karatoyā or Sadānīrā to the extremities of Assam. The ancient capital of the kingdom was Prāgjyotiṣa. See our note on Ragh. IV. 81. **मत्सरिणी**—exposed to jealousy. **मदन्यन्न**—excepting me. **दुग्धे**—yields treasure, fulfils desires. **किं तु** &c.—But on this condition, that one must first restore whatever one might have dishonestly got from others, &c. **अयं**—And after that. **स एव कल्पः**—This is the prescribed way of making it grant one's object. **ग्रावचिह्नं**—a cave (*lit.* a cavity in rocks or a mountain).

P. 83. वयोक्त—As said before (to the king). वरिवस्यमाना—Prep. p. of the pass. of वरिवस्यति, a Denom. verb from वरिवस्, a word meaning 'worship, service,' formed by adding क्यच् (य) by नमोवरिवस्त्रिचङः क्यच्। Pāp. III. 1. 19; *lit.*, being waited upon or worshipped for money; hence, being emptied by daily demands. व्यवहर्तुम्—To seek redress by legal means; to proceed legally against him. मन्त्रियोगात्—At my command; this may also be construed with वैरमवर्धयत्. विमर्षकः—The gambler whom Apahār. assisted; see p. 77. स्मरको—The student will remember that उदारक is another name of Dhanamitra. प्रत्यवध्नात्—came in the way; opposed the match.

पञ्चवीरगाष्ठ—The public hall or concert-hall. पञ्चवीर probably means the chief people of the four classes and the Nishādas &c. forming the fifth class; hence, all classes of people. सान्द्रादरः—Full of eager curiosity. तद्दृष्टि &c.—The reading current in most editions is सत्रा० (instead of सञ्चापा०); it is not easy of explanation. One Com. explains it as 'having no other refuge (अपगतः आश्रयः—i. e. अन्य आश्रयः—यस्य) than the covering (सत्र=shield) of the lotus-bed of her amorous or coquettish glances;' for the comparison of glances to lotuses comp. note on अपाङ्गदाम p. 74, and लीलाकटाक्षमाला further on. Or the comp may be taken as made up of two Bah.s; एवमेव सत्रं यस्य स एव सत्रः; अपगत आश्रयो यस्य सः अपाश्रयः; and then एव सत्रः चासौ अपाश्रयश्च; 'one who shielded himself with, had no other support than,' &c. The ultimate sense in either case is that her glances were maddening. A third way is to take the comp. as सत्रमेव अपाश्रयो यस्य; अपाश्रय itself is often used in the sense of आश्रय; cf. कर्णे कृतापाश्रयः Ven. V. 1. It is pretty certain that the reading सत्रा० is a mislection for the original सञ्चा०, which is found in the Calcutta editions, and which means "supported by his excellent bow in the form of the lotus-bed of her sportive glances &c." This yields a readily-understood sense and is free from awkward compounds.

P. 84. भावरः—feelings. रसाः—sentiments; or the Bhāvas intensified; see com. सामय्य—full display. समुदितचल—having gained force. नगरदेवतेषु &c.—has occurred before; see p. 77. Here it is out of place. लीलाकटाक्षः—लीलायुक्ता कटाक्ष लीला-कटाक्षारतेषां माला एव शुक्ललास्ताभिः। कटाक्षः—कटो अतिशायितो अक्षिणी यत्र; अक्षि being changed to अक्ष by बहुव्रीहौ सक्थ्यङ्गोः &c. Pāp. V. 4. 113; or कटं गण्डं अक्षति इति, अण् (अ) being added कर्मणि, to अक्ष्. नृत्य—is a dance accompanied by a pantomimic display of feelings (अन्यज्ञावाश्रयं नृत्यम् Daśarūpaka) and is different

from नृत्य, which is a dance to the accompaniment of music and the beatings of hands (ताल) but without gesticulations. सिद्धिलभसोमिनी—appearing more graceful, or with her beauty heightened, by the (flush of) success. किं विलासात्—whether through coquetry (natural to her). सविभ्रमारेचित— with her bushy eye-brows sportively or gracefully bent. For आरेचित cf. Kum. III. 5. सापदेश—under some pretext. सोऽहं—I thus conditioned, i. e. who was thus lovingly looked at by her. दुर्निवारबोरेकण्ठया—with a longing that I could not check. दूरीकृता— not feeling disposed to take food. मुक्तैरवयवैः— with drooping limbs. निष्पातः—*Lit.* one who dives to the bottom; hence, secondarily, one who knows fully everything about a thing. The स् of स्ना is changed to द् by Pān. VIII. 3 89 (see com.) when the sense is 'skill in.' भाववृत्तिः—The love-affected state of her mind. शरशयने—On a bed of arrows; i. e. he will discharge so many arrows at her, piercing her body, that when she will lie down she will sleep on a bed of them as it were. स्थानाभिनिवेशिनोः—who have fixed your affections each on the proper person.

P. 85. गणिकास्वधर्म—contrary to the proper duty of courtesans. भद्रोद्देशेनाशयेन—with good and noble intentions. गुणद्युक्ता न धनद्युक्ता—I am to be won by merit, not by wealth (*lit.* the price for my hand is merits and not wealth). प्रतिषिद्धाकृतार्था—not having succeeded in dissuading her from her purpose. मूलच्छिन्न—nipped in the bud. अच्युत—unbranded or blameless, chaste, virtuous. It may also be taken as an adv. 'so as not to fall off from it,' rigidly. अनाश्रवा—*fem.* 'disobedient', आगृणीतीति आश्रवः one who obeys; fr. श्रु with आ+अ (अच्) by पचाद्यच्। Pān. III. 1. 134. आवर्ज्य—having won her or secured her affections. प्रधानवृत्ती—chief agent, principal messenger. आकथमिक्षुकी—A Buddhist female mendicant or nun. शीवर—old garments. पिण्ड—food. बन्धकी— (that) harlot (Kāmamañjarī). अजिनरत्न—The gem of, i. e. the wonderful bag.

P. 86. संप्रतिपञ्चायां—when she agreed to my proposal. करकिसलय—her sprout-like i. e. tender hand. Cf. Uttar. III. 39; Rīt. VI. 30. चर्मरत्नस्तेयवादः &c.—The mention of the theft of the wonderful bag was to be made, i. e. on which the theft was to be announced as having taken place. मन्त्रपिपिः—my secret emissary. अर्थपतिगृह्यः—a partisan or friend of Arthapati. नग्न—is here used अलीके, 'to all appearances,' 'outwardly;' cf. परिभ्रमं नाम विनीय च क्षणम् ।

Kum. V. 32. उल्लङ्घय—having insulted. बहूतर्जयत्—spoke many an angry word; used threatening language. आकुञ्च— to revile. स एष धनगर्वो नाम—It is your well-known pride of wealth. परस्य भार्गवो &c.—This refers to Kulapālikā whom her father Kuberadatta first proposed to give in marriage to Arthapati, but afterwards wished to bestow on Dhanamitra. प्रसीत—well-known. बहिःश्वरः प्राणाः—i.e. his second self. ब्रह्महत्यामपि &c.—I will make no scruple to kill even a Brāhmaṇa (if there be need). एकरात्रजागर &c.—It needs only one night's wakefulness on my part to remove this burning fever of your pride &c. He means that by keeping awake one night he would be able to steal his bag and so humble his pride. सामर्षम्—Angrily. कुञ्चिमातिना—who feigned to be uneasy; who wore a look of painfulness. वेशवाट—the street lined with the residences of courtesans. निपुणम्—carefully.

P. 87. उपलभ्येत—उपलभ्यते *o.l.* is not good; for in this case स must be taken as referring to Vimardaka, which does not follow syntactically. स वराकः—The poor fellow, i.e. (Arthapati). स्ववभिज्ञानम्—स्वत् refers to Rājavāhana to whom Apahāra is narrating his story. प्रत्याख्याय—having denied the charge; supply स्थितः after this to make the context clear. विभाविते—the matter being proved or made clear (to the king). कल्पोक्तेन—according to the prescribed mode of using it. सप्रश्रयम्—humbly. निर्ग्रन्थिकग्रह—The dogmas of Jainism, the Jainā cult (com.). ग्रह rather means 'the grip' (power), or clutches of the Jainas. निर्ग्रन्थिक properly signifies 'one having no knots' (of the crest, garments &c.); hence, a Jainā mendicant of the Digambara class. अश्मन्तक—*the hearth, i.e. she gave away every valuable in her house.* अश्मन्तक is derived as अश्मनोऽप्यन्तोऽत्र, where even a stone is destroyed; a word of the शकन्वादि group (the Saṅgī being पररूप). अभ्युदय—prosperity. मियः—secretly. लोकोपक्रोशपानं—the object of the derision of, i.e. who has earned from the people the nickname of. निरपेक्ष—*with indifference.* चर्मरत्नलाभहेतुः—It must be due to her acquisition of the magical purse. कल्प—see p. 82. व्यथितवर्णेनैव—with apparent fear or concern; looking as if agitated.

P. 83. अतिप्रकाशात्—which has been widely known. तदनुयोगाय—to question you about that. निर्बद्धा—when pressed.

सदागतिस्त्वेन—(तस्य आगतिस्य भावस्तेन) as the source of its acquisition. अहमपदेह्यः—you will certainly point to me, i. e. disclose my name. चित्रवधः—death with tortures. अनयानुवन्धिनी—has in its train, would be followed by, a series of calamities. तदपवधः—the infamy about the purse being stolen. कीनास—the niggardly fellow or cheat. अभ्युपगमद्वय—having thus communicated with me. नैष न्यायः—It is not a proper course of conduct for, it does not behove. अतिप्रयुज्य—having urged this with great force. The Com. says, 'having concealed,' i. e. refused to give out the name. उपक्षेप—the mention or suggestion of. दम्भबन्धकीर्त्या—by those dastardly girls.

P. 89. आर्य—is rather a strange term of address for a king. Some propose to read आर्यमौर्यदत्त as one word. There is also a suggestion to take आर्य in this comp. as referring to Ohāpakya, and मौर्य to Ohandragupta. But, as remarked by Mr. Agashe, आर्य though usually prefixed to the name of Ohāpakya can hardly be used alone to stand for it. It is better to read देव for आर्य which is found in a Southern MS. मौर्यदत्तः—Granted by Maurya (or the Maurya kings); Maurya is probably Ohandragupta (see p. 191 *infra*) whose reign begins in 315 B. C. and for whose guidance a code of law was drawn up by Ohāpakya. वर—a boon, a special privilege. But Ohandragupta is not known to have exempted the merchant-class from capital punishment for such offences; nor is there anything to this effect in Ohāpakya's code. Mr. Agashe, however, says—"The only authority that can be found in the Kauṭīliya for immunity from capital punishment of the Vaiśyas as a class is contained in the following couplet:—
एवं चोरानचोराख्यान् वणिक्कारुकुशिलवान् । मिश्रुकान्कुहकाश्चान्यान्यन्वारयेद्देव-
पीडनात् ॥ p 202, Mysore Series." भर्ता—The king. पटखर—a rag. अर्थमत्त—vain of his wealth. अपविद्ध—given away. अभिनोदितेन &c.—i. e. at Dhanamitra's instance. शुभिनि—auspicious. सिद्ध-
संकल्पः—whose plans succeeded or bore their fruit. लुब्धः—The wealthy misers, the miserly sons of the wealthy. कपालपाणिः—
with broken platters in their hands. नियतिलिखिता लेख—*Lit.* the line drawn by Destiny, what is fated. प्रणयक्रोध—Love-anger. प्रणयसमर्पित—i. e. by Rāgam.; *cf.* for the idea ददौ रसान्पङ्कजरेणु-
गन्धि गजाय गण्डवज्रं करेणुः । Kum. III. 37. मदेनास्पृश्ये—I got
intoxicated or tip-y. मदेन्मादयोः—of drunkenness and over-
excitement (or delirium). For this distinction between मद and
उन्माद, *cf.* आचार्येण वृकैर्दरस्य हलिनोन्मत्तेन मत्तेन वा । Vop VI, 27.

P. 90. प्रव्यथित—Alarmed. अतिवर्ती—Turning a deaf ear to, disregarding. नातिपरिकरः—not well-equipped. अवसन्न—enfeebled by. आर्तस्व—cries of distress. बोधितः—brought back to my senses. प्रतिभा—ready wit; it is defined in poetics as ‘talent shining with ever-new ideas or flashes of imagination;’ see com.; this sense, however, is not intended here. स्वकीचरम्—mused, pondered within myself. प्रोर्णुत्सी—P. p. p. of ऊर्णु with ण; *lit.* ‘covered with;’ hence, involved in. प्रतिपत्ति—the course or plan to be adopted. The word occurs again at p. 98. जरतिका—an old hag. तां—The notorious one.

P. 91. सारामरण—precious ornaments. निःशल्क—free from a dart, easy (for I have accomplished what I had purposed to do for taking vengeance on you). उद्दितज्ञा—who knew what was meant to be suggested, i. e. how to take a hint. सप्तपूर्वम्—having first addressed them in conciliatory tones. भद्रकाः—Good sirs. एकमपराधं—her bringing about the union of Rāgamañjarī with Dhanamitra. कलनाभिनिर्घा—the violator or ravisher of (your) wife. आकल्पसारः &c.—Courtesans entirely depend upon their decorations (dress and ornaments), i. e. by their means alone they can attract others. रूपाजीवा—*Lit.* ‘one who gains her living by her beauty;’ स्व आजीवो यस्याः. वैरानुबन्ध—inveterate enmity. प्रतिपत्त्यर्थम्—seeming to have understood or grasped my meaning. मध्मुखः—a good fellow; *lit.* having a beautiful or auspicious countenance. It is used as an honorific title of address like मियदर्शन, but in the case of ordinary men alone. In dramas a prince is to be so addressed by the low characters; see Śāk.—D. VI. 154. आरक्षिकनायक—The chief of the city-guards; head constable. चारक—a prison.

P. 92. उत्तरेष्टुः—उत्तरस्मिन् अहनि; अहन् is changed to एष्टु when preceded by पूर्व, अन्य, अपर, उत्तर &c.; see Pāṇ. V. 3. 23. ह्रस्वतरः—highly conceited. सुभगमानी—who considered himself very fortunate. सुन्दरमन्यः—Kāntaka thought that he was loved by women (सुभग) and so considered himself beautiful. see *supra*, notes on सुभगपताका, and सुभगमन्य; p. 74. अत्यय—death. अनतिपक्व—not much grown wiser by experience. नागरिक—has occurred before in the sense of ‘policemen’ or city guards; see p. 78, 80 &c.; here it means ‘the chief of policemen,’ or magistrate, who it seems had to look after jails or to act as a jailor also; cf. for this sense ततः प्रविशति नागरिकः श्याकः &c. Śāk. VI, p. 138, Vik. V. p. 117. Further on it

means 'citizens.' कारणा—crucial or agonizing pain, tortures. मित्रमुख—having the face of, i. e. an outward (false) friend. प्रत्याशा—hope to regain. सार्थीयसी संधा—firm resolve. तर्जन—threatening. वर्तमाने अनुयोगव्यतिकरे—While I was being continually asked all manner of questions. अनुगुण—proper, wholesome. विरोपितव्रणः—with my wounds healed. अच्युताम्बर—the garment of Vishnu. दृष्टवर्गा—appearing pleased; cf. व्यथितवर्णेन p. 87. सुनीतिः—a wise plot, judicious plan.

P. 93. आपन्नः—In distress. सुलभास्वानशेषात्—on account of the vice of drunkenness, so common &c. लोकवार्ता—common talk, public rumour. निकृष्टाशयः—base-hearted, mean-spirited. समुद्रक—*a* box. प्रणयानुवर्तिन—Acting in accordance with the love he bore to her (Rāga.). उपायोपक्रान्तः—dealt with, treated with proper remedies. असुभिर्मां &c.—मां refers to Apahāra., whose words, the student should remember, the nurse is quoting as addressed to Dhanamitra. उपच्छन्दन—coaxing, persuasive means. अनतिवस्तु—not much alarmed at your misfortune. स्वभिज्ञानप्रत्या०—whose confidence was gained by showing the token of recognition from you. अन्वरञ्जयम्—I pleased her (secured her favour). संक्रमीकृत्य—using her as a means, through her medium.

P. 94. प्रभूत—a present. समारधती—adjusting, putting back in its proper place. प्रचयाव्य—letting it fall, dropping it. उपकन्यापुरं—close to the princess' apartment. भवनाङ्गणं—the courtyard of the palace. अपदेशात्—pretending to frighten &c. प्रहसन्ती ग्राहार्थम्—It was Śrīgālikā's plan to lead Kāntaka into the false belief that the princess was in love with him. This was the first step to entrap him. As Kāntaka happened to come to the courtyard of the palace adjoining the princess' apartment, she threw the lotus on him under the pretext of scaring away the pigeons; of course the princess knew nothing about this. स्मयमानः—Smiling. विलासप्रपामाकारं—her amorous-looking features. संज्ञया &c.—In an indescribably clever manner by gesticulation. दिग्धक्लेन—with venomous point. अतिमुग्ध—quite beside himself. मुद्रिता—sealed. पट्टाद्युक्त, भूषणावयव—silk garments and a few ornaments. वक्त्रिका—a cane casket. अवस्थान्तराणि—The different stages of her love-affected condition. These are mentioned as ten नयनप्रीतिः प्रथमं चित्तासक्तस्ततोऽथ संकल्पः । निद्राच्छेदस्तनुता विषयनिवृत्तिरुपानाशः । उन्मादो मूर्छा मुक्तिरित्येताः स्मरदशा दशैव स्युः ॥ Ratirahasya.

P. 95. सुदुर्मदमायत—Was made to go exceedingly mad with love; his passion was carried too far. निर्माल्य—garlands worn by her the day before. अपोदानि—taken somewhere else. प्राक्षिपम् *v. l.*—I threw them away. अपाविष्यं *v. l.* means the same thing—‘threw or cast them away;’ *cf.* अपविद्धसर्वस्वा *supra* p. 89. उपमन्त्रितः—addressed. लक्षणानि &c.—The auspicious marks (of future elevation) you bear are not to be in vain or falsified. प्रातिवेश्यः—a neighbour. तदनुकूपं—in conformity with his words. समागत—united with. अयमर्थी &c.—This good fortune will be followed by another, *viz.* your acquisition of the kingdom. न आराभ्यते—The subject to this is अयमर्थः; why is not this object pursued; *i. e.* why don’t you adopt measures to secure the hand of the princess? द्याम—the length of ‘space between the tips of the fingers of both the hands when the arms are extended (Mar. दांव). आरामप्राकार—the rampart surrounding the pleasure-garden. हस्तवत्—skilful, dexterous; here हस्त means ‘skill of the hand.’ ऐकागारिक—एकमसहायं अगरं प्रयोजनमस्य; ‘he who seeks to live in a lonely or unprotected house’; hence, a thief or robber. See Pân. V. 1. 113. उपरिष्टात्—after that. सगरसुतानां—The sons of Sagara (a king of the solar race), who were appointed the guardians of the sacrificial horse by their father, and who dug the earth down to the nether world in search of the horse when it was carried away by Indra in an invisible form. Here their power of digging is referred to. For their story see Râm. Bâla-K. chaps. 38-44; see also our note on सगर at Ragh. III. 50.

P. 96. अभिसंधाय—Having come to an understanding or formed an agreement with him. धार्ढ्यभूमिः—most intrepid. चित्रं—the same as चित्रवधेन; by subjecting him to peculiar tortures. अर्थः सिध्यति—the desired object would be gained. प्रतिपद्य—following my counsel. प्रासमितः परं—what is necessary to be done hereafter. स्वज्वः—your plan or stratagem. भूयात्—‘of greater importance;’ this is meant as a compliment to Śrigālikâ. विनिगदीकृतः—being liberated, set free. निरान्धकारात्—perpetually shrouded in darkness. असत्यवाद-दोषेण—the calumny of being false to my promise. निष्पततः—as I issued from the passage. असिधेन्या—with his dagger. असिधेनुरिव यस्याः असिधेनुः, to which the sword stands as a cow, it being as it were its calf; *i. e.* a small sword; वा कप् असिधेनुका; this like पुत्री has a diminutive force; असिपुत्री.

संनिवेशैः—situation, position of the different rooms. मणिपरीषेडु—मणय एव प्रदीपाः the jewels serving as powerful lamps, i. e. wherein gems glowed emitting light. Cf. जलम्भगिशिखाश्चैतं वासुकिप्रमुखा निशि । स्थिरपदीपतामेस्य भुजङ्गाः पशुपासते ॥ Kum II. 38. महितमहार्य &c.—the ivory feet of the shape of a recumbent lion of which were set with flawless and precious jewels. महित according to the Com. means 'big.' ह properly means 'to be praised or admired,' the महितत्वं lying in their size or flawlessness.

P. 97. हंसतूलगर्भ—stuffed with the downy feathers of swans. Diss. हंसतूकः गर्भे यस्यास्तादृशी शय्या उपधानं च ताभ्यां शालते इति तथा तस्मिन्. कुसुमलव— the sides of which were decked with petals of flowers actual or engraved therein. वक्षिणपाद—This and the following compounds are all adverbial, modifying विश्रम्भप्रसुप्ता. अनुवर्णित—covered. ईष-द्विभुज— a little turned to the side. Wilson reads विद्वत—'bare or exposed to view', which is a better reading. गुल्फ—The ankle. Diss. ईषद्विभुजौ (०तो वा) मधुरौ गुल्फयोः संधी यथा स्यातां तथा. आश्लिष्ट— in close contact. जङ्घा—The fleshy part between the ankle and the knee. ०काण्ड—i. e. stout and long. वेष्टित—bent (drawn in). अधिनितम्ब—नितम्बे इति अधिनितम्बं स्रस्तं सुकं च यदेकमुज-लतायं तेन पेशलं यथा स्यात्तथा; beautiful on account of the extremity (palm) of one arm loosely thrown over the hips. अपाश्रयान्त-निमित्त— in which the other arm was contracted and thrown under the crown of the head, the palm of the tender (sproutlike) hand lying upstretched. ०न्तनिमित्त v. l.— that the extremity of the head might rest on it. अतिश्लिष्ट— in which her fine undergarment of China silk lay closely adhering to her person. Fine China-silk cloth seems to have been imported into India from the earliest times, and there are numerous references to it in Sanskrit literature; vide Śāk. I. 33, Kum. VII. 3, Kir. IV. 59, Māl.—Mādh. VI. 5, Amaru.—Ś. 75, &c. It is also mentioned in Kauṭīliya Bk. III. अनतिवर्णित—not much pressed down. अतनुतरनिःश्वासारम्भ— as she began to breathe perceptibly. अतिशयेन तनुः तनुतरः तथा न मयतीत्यतनुतरः (forcible) यः निःश्वासारम्भस्तेन कम्पमानौ कुचौ कुड्मलाविव कुचकुड्मलौ यस्मिन्कर्मणि तद्यथा तथा. आतिरश्मीन— in a manner in which the neck-ornament made of rubies and woven in the middle of her necklace of burnished gold was to be seen lying near her beautiful neck resting slantingly. अर्धलक्ष्म—अर्धलक्ष्मपरकर्णपाशे निवृत्तं कुण्डलं यस्मिन्कर्मणि तद्यथा

तथा; in which the ear-ornament lay hidden or motionless under her down-turned beautiful ear which was partly (*i.e.* half) visible. अधरकर्ण may also mean 'the lower part of the ear,' but the first sense is better (—see com.—) as shown by उपरिपरावृत्त in the next comp. पाश when added to कर्ण or its synonyms signifies 'beauty' (प्रशस्तः कर्णः कर्णपाशः). For its different meanings cf. Halma. Kośa—पाशस्तु सुगन्धवादि-बन्धने । कर्णान्ते शोभनार्थः स्यात्कषार्थे निकर्णार्थकः । छत्राद्यन्ते च निन्दार्थः । Kshīrasvāmī quotes a śl. bringing these meanings together—अग्रतो बाहुपाशेन केशपाशेन पृष्ठतः । पार्श्वयोः कर्णपाशेन सर्वतो बन्धने मिये ॥ उपरिपरावृत्त—The other beautiful ear which was turned up.

P. 98. विञ्जरित—tinged red. विषम—her loosened (व्याविद्ध) braid of hair lying unevenly. उत्तराधरविबर—The interval of the upper lip (from the lower lip), *i.e.* the space between the two lips, was not to be seen, *i.e.* was covered up with the lustre of the lips. Though अधर is used for the lower lip, उत्तर is rarely used in literature for the upper lip; it is, however, so used by Kālidāsa; cf. निवार्यतामालि किमप्ययं वटुः पुनर्विविधः स्फुरितोत्तराधरः । Kum. V. 83. कर्णावर्त-कूर्च—her stretched hand placed under the broad cheek served the purpose of the ear-ornament consisting of a sprout. उपरिक्पोल &c.—In which the purpose of the ornamental paintings (such as ladies are described to have on the particular parts of their bodies) was served by the chequered (*or*, embroidered) canopy mirrored into her transparent cheek that was turned upwards. विशेषक is an ornamental painting on the face of a woman variegated with dots in the middle, and drawn with such fragrant substances as rubbed sandal, musk, saffron &c.; cf. अभिनवा इव पत्रविशेषकाः Ragh. IX. 29; मुष्टचन्दनविशेषकमङ्किः &c. Śiś. X. 84; see also Mālav. III. 5. The reflection of the embroidered canopy into her cheek looked like a Viśeshaka.

अविभ्रान्त—her large and bushy eyebrows were still. भ्रमजलपुलक—the drops of perspiration. अलकलस्र—her long and curly hair. झरदम्भेधर—suggests largeness and whiteness. सौशमनी—the simile bespeaks brightness of colour and slenderness of frame on the part of the princess.

चोरचित्तवनिःस्पृहः—with my desire to steal totally gone. भर्तृकेतित—touched without previous intimation (without being previously acquainted with my motive). भर्तिवाला—

quite young (inexperienced in love-matters). **द्वयत्नं**—undoubtedly. **अहमेवाग्नीय**—I shall myself be killed, it will be all over with me. This is the meaning required by the context here. **आग्नीय** is the Pot. 3rd pers. sing. of **हन्** with **आ** which is A'tm. when used intransitively and with reference to one's own body. But this restriction is not always observed by the poets; cf. **आजग्रे विषमविलोचनस्य वक्षुः** Kir. XVII. 63; or **आहृश्वं मा रघूतमे** Bhaṭṭi (though grammarians treat these as oversights on the part of the poets; **प्रमादाः**). So we may supply **आत्मानं** I shall ruin myself.

P. 99. **निर्यात**—Coloured or dyed with the viscous exudation or gum (of some tree). **कल्कः**—a viscous preparation obtained from substances or drugs ground or pounded. **वर्णवर्तिका**—a drawing brush. **तां तथा क्षयन्तां &c.**—I sketched her sleeping in that posture and myself kneeling at her feet, &c. **तस्याश्च**—**तस्याः** goes with **चरणलम्ब**; so this is a **सापेक्षसमास**, **चरण** being connected with **तस्याः** (**तच्चरण**). **वासनाम्बूलवीटिका**—a roll of betel-nut leaves. **रसुटिका**—a bit or piece of. **पारिजातक**—scented catechu. **अलक्तकपाटल**—red like *alaktaka*. **निरक्षीवम्**—spat out a pair of *Ohakravākas* on the white (*ohunam*-plastered) wall, i. e. produced the likeness of a pair of *Ohakravāk*^a birds by skilfully spitting on the wall. The *Ohakravāka* bird^a are represented in Sanskrit literature as emblems of constancy in love; cf. Ragh. III. 24. **Apahāra**.'s object in drawing a pair of these birds was to show that like the male *Chakra* he too would be firm and faithful to the princess in case she chose him for her husband. Now, the *Ohakravāka* is a bird of a reddish colour; and **Apahāra**. produced a reddish liquid in his mouth by chewing a *tāmbāla*, and by gently ejecting it on the wall through his mouth, he traced on the wall a couple of the *Ohakravāka* birds. This he did according to Mr. Agashe, in conformity with a diction of **Vātsyāyana**. The following is quoted from his note. "**Vātsyāyana** in his *Kāmasūtra* says—**यत्र संपातोऽप्यास्तत्र चित्रकर्मणस्तद्युक्तस्य व्यर्थानां गीतवस्तुकानां क्रीडनकानां कृतचिह्नानामापनकानामङ्गुलीयकस्य च निधानम्। मथुत्तरं तथा दत्तं प्रपश्येत्।** Thus, according to **Vātsyāyana**, a lover courting a girl is recommended four devices of communicating his wish to his beloved—(1) 'To paint his own likeness on a board or wall (**सावुरागमात्मानं फलके भित्तौ वा विलिख्य निदध्यात्**, says **यशोधर** the commentator of *कामसूत्र*). This **Apahār**. has done. He has also addressed (2) an amorous ditty to

her (गीत). The third is कीडनकानां पुत्रिकाकन्दुकादीनां कृतचिह्नानां निधानम् । This...seems to suggest the presentation of something suggestive of love, and hence it appears to us that Apahāra. fulfilled (3) this third condition by spitting the reddish saliva on the chunam-plastered wall in such a way as to produce the likeness of a pair of Ohakravāka birds...Immediately after this...comes the exchange of rings, which according to Vātsyā. is the fourth device indicative of love." नागरिकवर—one of the leading or principal citizens. उपचारित—treated as. तपस्वी—poor, miserable. रहस्यं—*scil.*, that he had set his heart on the princess and attempted to break into the private apartments. लब्धय्यो मोक्षः—you should procure your release. अगृह्ये—came within the reach of. अनामुष्ट—untouched.

P. 100. स्वपृष्ठं—Placing my elbows on my back (and thus assuming an attitude of submission). वर्षीयसी—old hag. उन्नीतं—having guessed what I had at heart or having divined my intention. वायुमस्तः—affected by hysteria or lunacy. पूर्वयुः—see note on उत्तरयुः p. 92. प्रसन्नकल्पः—almost cured or freed from his malady. निःप्रवाणि—new unbleached garments; निर्गता प्रवाणी तन्तवायशलाका अस्मात्. आशीरे कामचारः &c.—he was allowed freely to sit or lie down, i. e. he was allowed liberty of action. मातरिश्वा—मातरि आकाशे श्वपति इति; the wind. शौक्लेयः—a hawk. शान्तं पापं—*lit.* 'let the evil be averted', is used to indicate one's disapproval of what is said or heard. कश्चिन्ना—reproached, despised. वैशकुण्ठशतृथाय—after he had escaped from the calamity brought on by the harlot. This must be connected with प्रयापन्न in the next comp., so that both the actions will have the same agent.

P. 101. एवंभूतं स्वदर्शने—That I should thus obtain your sight. अपचार—misconduct, crime. निमित्त—having given out or proclaimed; this should be taken with राज्ञा (निमित्त प्रतिष्ठापितः), so that the use of the gerund would be correct. अभियुज्य—having attacked. अमर्षण—impatient (of the outrage). पारिग्रामिकं विधि—hostile measures to be adopted on besieging (परि) an enemy's town. Explain ग्रामस्य परि इति परिग्रामं *Avya.*; परिग्रामं (परिग्रामे वा) भवं पारिग्रामिकं by adding ठञ् (इक); see com. The hostile acts meant are such as harassing the enemy's kingdom by cutting the supplies of food, fodder, &c., breaking of tanks, &c.; these are men-

bloned by Manu as उपरुष्यारिमासीत राष्ट्रं चास्योपपीडयेत् । इदमेवास्य सतर्तं यवसाजोदकेन्द्वगम् ॥ (quoted in the Bhū. as from the Mitāksharā further on; see p. 134) भिन्याच्चैव तडागानि प्राकापेरिखास्तथा । समवस्कन्दयेच्चैनं रात्रौ विजासयेत्तथा ॥ Manu. VII 195, 196. See also Kām. Nīt. XVI. 3, 4. इडात्—forcibly. प्रतिसर—the auspicious marriage-string (the same as कौतुक; see Ragh. VIII. 1). अङ्गराजाभिसर—coming to the aid of the King of Aṅga. सम्भू—having joined. गताहुषः—the time of whose death had arrived. Here the त indicates near futurity; see *supra*, note on कण्ठम्यस्तशस्त्रिकः, p. 82. उपसमाधीयमान—being collected or arranged.

P. 102. लोकसंवाध—a throng of men coming out and going in. आथर्वणेन—by the domestic priest. A priest versed in the A'tharvāṇa lore was generally selected by the ancient kings that he might perform by means of the spells given therein rites for them that would give them peculiar powers, avert calamity, put down their enemies and so on. Cf. Ragh. I. 59, Malli. thereon and Kām. Nīt. IV. 32. The Atharva-Veda contains many charms and imprecations leading to good or evil results (such as bringing about the death of an enemy &c.). For its succinct description cf. पुण्योऽपि भीमकर्मा निधिर्वतानां चकात्स्यमितशक्तिः । मूर्तिमभिरामघोरां विभ्रदिवायवेणो निगमः ॥ Mv. -Oh. II. 24. आक्षिप्तमान—As he wished (i. e. was about) to seize. स्फुरत्—striving (to seize me). अनुविचरत्—moving from one room to another. अभिनिश्चास्व—seeing her before me. स्तनितगम्भीरेव—Cf. Uttar. VI. 17. A voice deep like the rumbling of clouds is considered as one of the signs (लक्षणं) of a great man; नाम्नी स्वरः सप्तमिति प्रशस्तं गम्भीरमेतच्चित्तयं नराणाम् । उरो ललाटे वदन् च दुर्गां विस्तीर्णमेतच्चित्तयं प्रशस्तम् ॥ Var. Brh. -Samp. 67. 25.

विदेहेषु—The country of Videha lay to the north-east of Magadha. Its capital Mithilā is the same as Janakapura in Nepāl, north of Madhubānī. Videha must have covered, in ancient times, besides a portion of Nepāl, the northern part of the old district of Tirhut and the north-western portion of Ohamparan.

P. 103. अलिङ्ग—A raised place oblong in shape near a door. जैवाहकः—'O you of long life!' From जीव् and the Upādi aff. आवुक् (I. 79); see com. ननु भूदत्ते—you must have heard. बलशम्बल (०२)—Names of two demons. प्रथम-

मर्माः—when blessed with a foetus for the first time. लेखसोऽपि &c.—what fate overtook the king of Magadha was utterly unknown. मालवेन्द्रप्रयत्नः—who lived by the effort of the Mālava king. This shows that Mānasāra was noble-hearted. उद्येष्ठस्य—of his eldest brother. स्वासं—occupied, usurped. स्वलीय—his sister's son;=स्वसुः अपरस्य, by adding छ (ईय) to स्वसु; see com. सुक्क—A country which lay to the west of Vāṅga or eastern Bengal. It was so called after Subma, the fourth son of Bali. Its capital, Tāmralipta, also called Dāmalipta (see *infra* p. 149), has been identified with the modern Tumlook on the right bank of the Oossaya, the Kapiśā of Kālidāsa. For other particulars see our note on Suhma, Ragh. IV. 35. दण्डावयव—the portion of an army; for दण्ड meaning an army, cf. तस्य दण्डवतो दण्डः स्वदेहात् व्यशिष्यत । Ragh. XVII. 62; प्रभवः खलु कोपदण्डयोः Kir. II. 12; see also Manu. VII. 65. लुब्धक—the wild marauders, Bhils. शार्दूल &c.—As I fell beneath the paw of a tiger. कपिला—a brown cow. क्रोड—the cavity under the bosom. इवसन्तयन्त्र—A bow.

P. 104. मोहयुता—lying in a swoon. वृष्णिपाल—a shepherd. कुटीर—a hut, a hovel. उपक्रान्तव्रणा—whose wounds were dressed and tended. यावद्व्याकुलिभवामि—just as I was uneasy at heart. Cf. the account given here with that at pp. 13, 14. सार्थघाते—when the body of merchants and soldiers accompanying them were routed. उपयन्तु—to marry. वैरूप्य—disgust or horror for. प्रत्याख्यानपाठ्यं—the harshness i. e. insult of a refusal. जातः—turned out to be. दिष्टिषात्—through adverseness of fate. पुनरसहिष्णुस्तया—and again finding his position unbearable. दग्धा—unfortunate, cursed. हतनीविताकुष्टा—out of love for her accursed life.

P. 105. तयोश्च सतोः—The two living. प्रसङ्गकारिणः—laying violent hands on, dealing harshly with. प्रमन्युः—with her grief intensified. निगूढं—very secretly. कश्चिन्मुनिः—see p. 13. अभ्युपपादनार्थं—For deliverance from distress or for protecting; according to the Bhāṣya 'for rearing up' (अभ्युपपादनं संवर्धनं); but this does not appear to be correct. याचितः—This is Upa.'s guess; for no request was actually made to the sage by the woman either to find out the boy or to protect him when found. उपमिश्र्य—having approached or pressed him hard. तैरपि घटन्ते &c.—Present in the sense of the Future; 'and the citizens might make common cause with (or join) them.'

इदृक्कदा—*Lit.* being such and such; as to my real parentage and rank. प्रहारवर्मण्यपि—subject to his rule, under his sway. अधि is a कर्मप्रवर्तनीय when used in the sense of a Lord (i. e. being the lord of or having as lord); e. g. अधि भुवि रामः or अधि रामे भूः; so here अधि दिदिहेषु प्रहारवर्मा also; for the Loc. see Pāṇ. यस्मादधिकं &c. (II. 3. 9) quoted in the com. प्रलम्बमान—long (of more than ordinary length). भागधेय—धेय is added स्वार्थे to रूप, नाम and भाग. उपाधि—a fraudulent scheme, a stratagem.

P. 106. जालमाचरन्मम—I shall formulate a scheme for working out his destruction. मार्तण्डः—the sun; सृते अण्डे मयः । शकन्वादिः; sometimes माचरन् also. व्यासरया—blown away by the force of the breath त्रियामा—त्रयो यामा यस्याः सा, having three watches or *praharas* (the first and last half-*prahara* being discounted as being spent like a part of the day in business—आद्यन्तयोरर्धयामयाश्चटाकालत्वेन दिनमायत्वात्); यद्वा त्रीन् धर्मा-वीन् यापयति निरवकाशीकरोति (fr. या+अप् Unādi) कामप्रधान-त्वात् । Bhānujī Dīk. कश्चित्—asks a question to which the expected answer is 'Yes'. 'I hope you know.' कामरूपेश्वरस्य—for Kāma. see *supra* p. 82. पतिमभिभूय वर्तते—excels her husband (in accomplishments); or, she has not (or, acts not having) much regard for her husband, despises her husband. तदेकवल्लभः—solely devoted or attached to her. असमान—by finding fault with and condemning the connexion of two unequal persons. वासवदत्ता—the heroine of Subandhu's work, named after her, who was betrothed by her father to Pushpaketu but who was carried off by Kandarpaketu. Also name of the daughter of Chāṇḍamahāseṇa of Ujjayinī (of Pradyota according to Śrī-Harshadeva; see Ratn. I. 10) who was carried off by Udayana, king of the Vatsa country. She has been referred to by Bhavabhūti in Māl-Mādh. II. wherein he says she was betrothed by her father to king Samjaya and wherein Kāmaṇḍakī also makes use of a similar device to create love for Mādhava and hatred for every other person in Mālātī's mind; cf. वेदव्यासस्मिद्वेषः पितरि विचिकित्सा च जनिता &c. II. 13. Here Daṇḍir makes Uphār. follow Vātsyāyana's suggestions; cf. परस्त्रियस्तु नृक्षमभावा दूतीसाध्या न तथास्मनेत्याचार्याः । Kāmasū. V. 2. 1; and सैन्या शीलतोऽनुप्रविश्याख्यानकपटैः सुभगं करण-योगैर्लोकवृत्तान्तैः कविद्वयाभिश्च नस्याश्च रूपविज्ञानदाक्षिण्यशीलानुपशं-साभिश्च तां रञ्जयेत् । कथमेवंविधायास्तवायमिदं स्थूतः पतिरिति चानुशयं ब्रूहिyeत् । &c. V. 4. 2, 3; शृण्वत्यां चाहल्या—(Gautama's wife)-शाकुन्तलादीन्यान्यापि लौकिकानि च कथयेत्तद्युक्तानि । V. 4. 14; विद्वेषं

ग्राहयेत्पत्यौ रमणीयानि वर्णयेत् ।.....नायकस्यानुरागं च पुनश्च रतिकौशलम् ।
वर्णयेत् । *Ibid.*, 63, 64.

P. 107. अनुस्रव—Regret, resentment. अवरोधान्तरेण—with
the other ladies of the harem. मान—jealous anger (caused
by the husband's attention to a co-wife &c.); see Sāh.-Dar.
III. 199, 200. अम्बा—the old woman, his foster-mother.
अनन्यव्यापारया—leaving every other business. उर्वर्कस्याह—
having an agreeable or welcome end. अनपाविनी—never
separated from her. माधवी—is the spring creeper (मधो in
the spring पुष्पयति इति; from मधु + अण् + ई fem.); also called
अतिमुक्त. It is generally described as twining itself round
the mango-tree (sometimes round the Nīpa or मधूक), but
never round such trees as the Nimba even the bark of which
is bitter. It becomes शोण्या if it is made to cling to a Nimba
tree; hence the appropriateness of the simile. पिशुमन्द—
the nimba tree. This is derived as पिशुं कुष्ठविशेषं मन्दयति
(destroys) इति; पिशुमर्द v. l. is also found in Amara as a
variant (पिशुं मर्दयतीति). मत्तकाशिनी—a belle, a beautiful
woman. मत्ता इव काशते looks like one intoxicated, i. e. having
the flush of wine on her cheeks; hence, beautiful. चित्रीयमाणा—
wondering, full of astonishment; pres. p. of the denom.
from चित्र by adding य (क्वच्) आश्चर्ये; चित्रीयते विस्मयते इत्यर्थः ।
by Pāp. III. 1. 19, quoted in the com. सनाथीकृत—*Lit.*
is made to have a master, is graced with the handsome
person of.

P. 108. संनिधत्ते—is present, exists in. आदृतवती—received
it with respect, or eagerly. आज्ञापयसि—you say. अर्णवनेमिः—
अणवः नेमिर्यस्याः सा the one enoircled by the ocean; the earth;
cf. उदधिनेमि Ragb. X. 10, उदधिमालामेरूला Kād. p. 8 &c.; for
the idea comp. कालो ह्यहं निरवधिर्विपुला च पृथ्वी; Māl.-Mādh. I. 8.
रूपानुरूप—रूपस्यानुरूपाणि शिल्पं च &c. यस्य. स किं लप्स्यते—is a
question; 'what will he get?' सर्वमिदं &c.—All this is but too
little and quite unworthy of him. (And although I give him
all this, he will have obtained nothing). विप्रलम्भ—fraud,
deceit. दृष्टनादृभवेन—by his actual sight. निगूढं चरन्—living
incognito. अम्बवर्तिष्ट—conciliated me for help in the matter.
कुसुमशेखर &c.—कुसुमानां शेखरः a chaplet worn on the crown of the
head झङ्ग (a garland) च अनुलेपनानि च आदौ येषां तेः. This is in
accordance with the precept of Vātsyā.—तासां मनोहराण्युपायनानि
ताम्बूलमनुलेपनं झङ्गमङ्कलीयकं बाहो वा तनं प्रहितं दृश्येत । V. 4. 35.

गुणादिसव—excellent virtues. स्वस्तमाधिगाढस्व—The depth of his devotion to you; (according to the Bhúshaná, to see the depth of your attachment to him).

P. 109. एव चेदर्थो &c.—If this matter be determined upon, i. e. if you are really willing to deliver yourself up to him. प्राण—vital power, strength; सत्त्व mental calibre. By this she indirectly hints that in case she delivered herself up to him, he would be able to rid her of her undesirable husband. संकेत—appointment, engagement or place of meeting, rendezvous. दुहिता देवा इति—This is in conformity with Vátsyáyana's precept मवतेऽहमादौ दातुं संकल्पितेत्यभिधीत । V. 4. 30. देवात्—such being the will of providence. नात्युपपन्न-संस्थानः—-with a body not symmetrically built, not handsome in features. For this meaning of संस्थान cf. Śák. स्त्रीसंस्थानं चाप्तरस्तीर्थनारात् &c. V. 30. कानोपचार—manner of enjoyment, love-affairs. मन्दानिनिवेशः—-not much fond of. शौर्योन्मादिन्—vain of his valour. अस्थानवर्षा—bestowing gifts on unworthy recipients; reckless in bestowing his favours. मदन्तरङ्गभूता—my confidante, confidential maid. अनात्मज्ञा—-who does not know her proper position or state. नाटकीया—The dancing maid. मत्संवर्धितायाः—The selection of a particular tree and a creeper by kings and queens as their particular favourite seems to be a favourite idea with Sanskrit poets.

P. 110. गर्भवेदिका—A dais in a cave of the pleasure-mountain. रत्नतल्प—-a bedstead set with gems. अयोर्यश्च &c.—In the first place, the man is unworthy of me and now he has commenced insulting me. अनङ्गसर—Cf. वाणतूणीरायमानमानसः *supra*, p. 49. अनिष्टजन—The misery arising from their being compelled to associate with a man they hate. अस्ति चायं &c.—I have this treasure in my possession. By its means I will establish him in his (Vika.'s) place and live, having devoted myself entirely to him. अतः परं &c.—what is to be done next rests with you to decide. अन्तर्वेशिक—See p. 56. स्थानानि—their particular stations. विभागेन—as regards their different portions or subdivisions. अस्तगिरि—As the sun has to fall from the sky he is supposed first to jump on the peak of the setting mountain and then into the sea. क्षुभित—stirred up (and rushing to the surface). निर्वापित—extinguished. पतङ्गाङ्गार—The burning charcoal in the form of the sun. Take the comp. as a Tatp. (अङ्गारः तस्य धूमसंचयः) and not as a Bah. as the Com. does.

P. 111. परामर्श—Violation, having connexion with. आचार्यकं कर्तुं—to instruct me in. आचार्यस्य कर्म आचार्यकं by affixing अक (बुक्) which is added to words having a penultimate य preceded by a long syllable in the sense of भाव or कर्मन्; see Pāṇ. V. 1. 132. Cf. आचार्यकं विजयि मान्मथमाविरासीत्। Māl.-Mādh. I. 26. गुरुपरिमह—the admirer (coveter) of the wife of Brihaspati; see *supra* p. 70 and note. अतिराग—eager desire. स्मयमान—smiling; shining brightly. संधुक्षमाण—whose valour was accelerated. विजिगीषा—desire for the conquest of. धर्मेपीडा—(*lit.* 'the being constrained'), violation of religious law or righteousness. संधिना—laying to my heart, having in view. निर्हृत्य—having extenuated or removed. सममयेत्—would endow me with; Pot. 3rd pers. sing. of the nominal verb from समप्र (अग्रेण सहितं समग्रं full). निद्रया परासृज्ये—I was seized or overpowered by sleep. दुर्विकल्प—*a* misgiving, *a* wrong conception. असौ—*i. e.* Kalpasundarī. वरवर्णिनी—having an excellent complexion; a beautiful woman. विलोडन—sport in; wading through.

P. 112. बहुभोग्या—Cf. तद्युक्तं बहुमार्गमां मम पुरो निर्लज्जं वोढुं तव Ratn. I. 31. between 2 and 3 [Footnote No. 2:—In the *v.l.* ततस्तेन &c. तेन refers to Gajānana and मां to Bharga or Śiva (readings 8 and 10, last page). In this passage it is Śiva who speaks. विलम्बा इव—as if discomfited or abashed. वरिवस्त्रा—service, attendance on; also, worship; fem. noun from वरिवस्यति *a* denom. from वरिवस्; see p. 83. अनेहस्—time.]. भव्यः—Destined to happen, pre-ordained. प्रियासंकेतः—प्रियायाः संकेतः the promise to meet, तस्य स्यतिकरः incident स आदौ येषां तेषां स्मरः by thinking of such things or incidents as, &c.; for स्यतिकर cf. *supra*, pp. 29, 74. अनन्यथावृत्तिः—engaged in no other pursuit. कार्बमिकः—dyed with black paint; from कर्दम and aff. ठक् (इक); see *com.* Lovers are described by poets as dressing in dark in order to escape observation when proceeding on their nightly expeditions. दृढतः—with my loins tightly girded. प्रकृतौ. परस्कर—implements necessary for my purpose. By उपात्पत्तियत्न-वैकृतवाक्याभ्याहारेण Pāṇ. VI. 1. 139, a सू comes before क after the prep. उप in the sense of पत्तियत्न (=गुणाधान, adding a new quality to a thing in order to enhance its value, &c.) or वैकृत(=what is prepared or altered), or वाक्याभ्याहार (=supplying a sentence); *s. g.* उपस्कृता कन्या an adorned girl, उपस्कृता ब्राह्मणाः the Brāhmaṇas assembled, उपस्कृतमधीते वाक्याभ्याहारेण वृत्त इत्यर्थः। Sid.-Kau. In other cases we have उपकरोति. Som

explain the म् here by the Sūtra समवाये च Pāṇ. VI. 1. 138, i. e. in the sense of aggregation or collection. मातृ—his foster-mother. उदम्भसं—filled up with water. उपखासं—near the ditch. शाबिसया—placed athwart the ditch (i.e. horizontally). स्थापिता—placed erect or vertically.

P. 113. पकेष्टकं—The आ of इष्टका, इषीका and माला, and of words ending in these, is shortened when followed respectively by चित, तूल and भारिन्; as इष्टकचित, पकेष्टकचित; इषीकतूलम्; मालभारि, उत्पलमालभारि. गौपुर—A city-gate with the towers attached to it. चम्पकावलि—The avenue of the Champakas. उत्तराहि—in a northerly direction. पादलिपय—a row of Pātali trees. स्पर्शलभ्यं—where the bulging wall of the spacious palace could be felt. शरक्षेपमिव—nearly a bowshot's distance. पिण्डी—Both the sides of which were decked with the thickets of red *as'okas* and jasmines. सैकतपथ—a gravel path. अवाची—lying to the south. स्रुमुहक—a (cylindrical) box; a lantern may have been used. निरन्तर—growing thickly. कुरण्ट—The yellow amaranth. अभिनवम्—marked with fresh buds rising up like hair standing on end. वस्तुगर्भाः—Containing or having articles in their interiors. संपुटाः—caskets.

P. 114. अदृष्ट—hidden. अनुषमिकामा—whose passion was not cold. i. e. inflamed or intensified. कण्ठरागम्—in faltering accents, charming and impassioned. अश्ववस्य—having deliberately undertaken to do. भामिनि—O passionate (or irascible) one; भामिनी—one so delicate and sensitive to injury as to get excited at once; hence, a charming woman also; hence used sometimes as a complimentary term; see p. 16 कर्षयिता—put to shame. He means that she was as beautiful as Rati, her eyebrows curved like Kāma's bow-staff &c. Similar descriptions have already occurred. Cf. pp. 2, 3 and 44. महारजन—रज्यते अनेनेति रजनं a dye महश्च तद्रजनं च safflower. परिमलपट्टीयम्—having an excellent smell.

P. 115. मञ्जुल—sweet. प्रलापैः—spontaneous utterances पूर्णकुम्भ—is considered auspicious; see *supra* p. 44. संनाद्य—equipped (for gaining victory); cf. जैत्रय pp. 3, 44. लीलार्कणम्—कर्णे कृतं किसलयं कर्णम्, लीलार्थं कर्णकिसलयम्. जीवन—tending to bring back to life. पञ्चल—bewitching, charming; see *com.* अवसितायां—when she reached her acme of pleasure. आरक्तबालित—reddish and rolling. अर्जरित—covered.

अनर्गल—free or unrestrained. कल—indistinctly. कलकल
o. l. is not appropriate. ०अपेक्ष्यतिकरात्—bearing the red
wounds of. धारणा—fixity of. अतिगूढ—deep-seated; अतिरूढ
is a better reading.

P. 116. नासिविद्यदं—slightly, a faint kiss. असौ दासजनः
&c.—‘This thy slave feels life to be without purpose.’ अव-
तंसतो &c.—Gracefully placed her folded hands on her forehead.
भनिकामयमाना—herself seeking the love of. Cf. for a similar
thought भिया दुरावः कथमीप्सितो भवेत् Śāk. III. 13. अभिसंति—fixed
purpose of the heart, intention. अविचारं—without troubling
about (i. e. asking) the reason. पारं—the climax or highest
perfection of. प्रागल्भ्य—proficiency, skill. आलेख्यरूप—
an excellent portrait; प्रशस्तमालेख्यम्; रूप is added प्राशस्ये. तादृश—
having that virtue. पर्वणि—Here पर्वन् means the new-moon
day. विविक्ता—see com.; the first meaning is preferable.
हृतमुक्ते—after the priest has worshipped the fire with offerings
and retired. अगुरु—aloe-wood.

P. 117. विसंवादः—disagreement; ‘you should not fail to
• carry out my instructions’. कार्यः—शङ्क्यः V. l. Then the
meaning will be—‘Don’t you think that the rite will fail
to produce the desired end.’ संप्रधार्य—having decided upon
the matter; taking counsel with. अनुमते—when they approve
of it. प्रमद्वनवाटी—a part of the female garden. चतुर्गण्डिका—
a place where four roads meet. आयुर्वणिक—prescribed by
the Atharva-Veda. संक्षपित—killed. तद्गन्धमनेन—The dis-
appearance of the smoke was to serve him as a sign. प्रगाढ—
far advanced. वेतालोल्लासनं &c.—I will not raise a goblin
for my own destruction. शास्त्रोपदेश—injunction of the Veda
(which is not to be gainsaid). अद्भुतायमाना—coming as a
wonder; p. p. of the denom. from अद्भुत (अद्भुतायते).

P. 118. एष विप्रलम्भो न—This cannot be a deception
but अति०. केव कथा—Whence can there be any possibility
of fraud. अभ्यूह्य—Having given due thought or consideration
to the matter. प्रौढ—pitchy or dense. गौरसर्षप—white
mustard; it is one of the ingredients used in securing the
efficacy of charms, etc. वसा—marrow. प्रावात्सीत्—Aor. of
वस् with प्र; ‘went forth in,’ ‘spread out’; this use of प्रवस्
is rather rare; cf. प्रावसत् p. 129, where it is rightly used.
निद्यान्तोद्यान—The garden attached to the palace. अवसित—

has a double meaning.—(1) The fool) has made up his mind or taken his resolve; (2) he is doomed; see note on न्यस्त-शक्ति p. 82. स्वशशिष्टया दिक्षा—according to your instructions (*lit.* by the way pointed out by you).

P. 119. रम्भोरु—Voc. of रम्भोरु; रम्भे इव ऊरु यस्याः सा; ऊ is added in the fem. by ऊरुत्तरपदादौपम्ये Pān. IV. 1. 69. रागानि—रागः love एव अग्निः. गुरु—The father or the elderly person authorized to give away a girl in marriage. प्रपदेन—The forepart of the foot, the tiptoe. इतरतरव्यतिषक्त—inter-twined. विभ्रान्त—sportively turned.

P. 120. चित्रभानु—Fire (चित्रा भानवो यस्य). उपधि—उपधीयते आरोप्यते अनेन; उपधा+इ (कि) fraud, trick, imposition. स्वस्वरूपभ्रंशः—you will lose your own form and gain this; you will be transformed. भजीर्णदोषं ख्यापयेयं—I would give out that he suffered from indigestion (which led to his death). अभ्यवसितं—It has been settled or determined upon. इण्डुचक्रं—a portion of an army. पुण्ड्रदेश—A district of eastern Bengal. पाञ्चालिक, परित्रात—two proper names. खनतिनाम्ना खननात्—Khanati may be a Persian or an Arabic trader. The name, however, sounds somewhat strange. वज्र—a diamond. गृहपतिः—The Bhūṣhaṇa says ग्रामाध्यक्षः; but this does not seem to be the meaning here; for he is also said to be जनपदमहत्तरः; the sense of गृहपति given in the Amarakośha is—a householder who helps the poor by giving them food, money-gifts &c. (सदान्नादिदानकर्ता). This sense will do here. Or it may be taken in the sense of the 'steward or the manager of the king's household;' and hence he was अन्तरङ्गभूतः (his confidant). जनपदमहत्तर—The principal man of the country; the sheriff. शतहलिः—A proper name; the man was so named probably because he was a great landlord; (शतं हलाः ploughs) यस्य. दुष्टग्रामणीः—the wicked village-leader. His wickedness lay in his being on the side of Prahāravarman; see l. 3, p. 122. जनपदकोपेन—by exciting the people of the country against him; by stirring factions against him.

P. 121. इण्डधर—A general; or, a judge or a magistrate. उद्धारकर्मन्—the act of uprooting (destroying) him. अचिरप्रस्तुत—lately planned or set on foot. प्रवृत्तं—into which a great quantity of clarified butter was poured. सेवां दत्तवान्—I admitted them to my presence, i. e. received their homage संस्तोरु—having very stout (*lit.* coming close to each other) thighs. ऊ is added to ऊरु in the fem. after संहित, शफ &c.

by Pān. IV. 1. 70. ऊरुपपीडं &c.—ऊरुण्यां भुजाभ्यां चोपपीडं; for the Namulś see com.; the Namulantas of पीड्, रुध् and कृध् preceded by उप are used when there is a noun in the Loc. or Instr. case used as an *Upapada*. राजकुलस्य वीलम्—the customary practices of the royal house. द्युष्वेष्वैव—only being devoted to his service (and not hostilely disposed towards him). दुःखमोहोपहताः—overpowered by distress and (consequent) despair. स्वकात्मानः—being desperate; regardless of their safety. He means—If we give them the least offence, they will seize the opportunity to attack our country and fight desperately, so it will not be a wise step on our part for the present; but if we attack them when they will have a rich harvest, we shall find them unprepared for battle, throw them into confusion by destroying their crops and gain supplies for ourselves. मृष्टिवध, सस्यवध—spoiling their seed-corn or ripe harvest. See Kām. Nīt. XVI. 4.

P. 122. यात्रा—a hostile march. धर्मरक्षायै—“that there should be no transgression or violation of justice or righteousness. अनुगुणेन—proper or suitable. राष्ट्रमुख्य—The sheriff of the country. निनाशविधितः—desired to be destroyed. प्रकृतिस्थे—when restored to his own dignity or position. संरम्भः—adopting hostile measures; *lit.* proceeding impetuously against. उद्घोषयन्तः—loudly expressing. प्रहर्षकाष्टा—who had reached the highest point of ecstatic joy. अमृद्वे च &c.—I was at once (च) installed the Yuvarāja (crown-prince) at the command of my parents. प्रसाधितात्मा—*lit.* with my elevation secured; whose object was accomplished; or, according to the Com., ‘with my intellect closely applied (to my work)’. देवपाद—i. e. of course Rājāvāhana. दुर्भेगान्—unpalatable, insipid, disagreeable. निर्विशङ्—enjoying. अभिवोग—an attack. लघुसमुत्थान—swift of foot, quickly marching. क्षुम्भि—the object of. पारतल्पिक—adultery; from परतल्प; तल्प properly means ‘the bed,’ hence, figuratively, the wife of; and aff. ठक् (इक). हेतुतया—This is according to the principle ‘The end justifies the means.’ दुष्टानिघ्न—दुष्टान्घने अभिघ्नान्; mark that the word अभिघ्न is *masc.* Note for the gender स्यातामभिघ्नौ मित्रे च सहजमाकृतावपि Śiś. II. 36. प्रमापण—destruction; noun from the Gau. of मी 9 P. A’. with प्र to destroy. अर्थधर्मौ—the comp. may also be धर्मार्थौ (which is also the one more generally used) by the Vārt. धर्मादिष्वनियमः; i. e. either of the words may precede. अरीरघत्—accomplished.

P. 123. निःस्पर्धर्वा—निःस्पर्धा च दीर्घा च; 'fixing upon him an affectionate and long gaze.'

सोऽहं—I who am thus commanded. एककर्मा—having the same mission to perform. ऊर्मिमालि०—sea-girt, bounded by the ocean. ऊर्मिणीं नाला अस्यास्तीति ऊर्मिभिर्मालते इति वा ऊर्मिमाली the sea नेमि may also be taken separately. काशीपुरी—काशते शिवत्रिशूलोपरि अथ वा काशयति सर्वमिदम् इति काशी—इति शब्द-कल्पद्रुमः. वाराणसी—Cf. वरणासी च नदी द्वे पुण्यं पापहर्त्र उभे । तयोस्तर्गता या तु सैषा वाराणसी श्रुता ॥ उपस्पृश्य—having bathed. नान्कानिका—Name of a sacred pool (तीर्थ) at Kāśī and the ghāṭa (landing-place) about it. The name is thus explained—विष्णोस्तपस्या पचयदर्शनाद्विस्मिततया शिवस्य मणिमयकुण्डलपतनादस्यास्तथात्मम्. अविमुक्तेश्वरः—the lord of (अविमुक्त) Benares or Kāśī. The name Avimukta is thus accounted for—न विमुक्तं शिवाभ्यां यदविमुक्तं ततो विदुः. अन्धकमथन—Śiva, the destroyer of the demon Andhaka; Andhaka was the son of Kāśyapa and Diti. He is represented as a demon with two arms and heads. He was called Andhaka, as he walked like a blind man though having good sight. He was slain by Śiva when he attempted to carry off the Pārijāta tree from heaven. According to the Matsya-P. he was about to be slain by Śiva for having attempted to carry off Pārvatī, but was admitted to the class of Gaṇas at his humble supplication. आयामवन्तः—very tall. आयमपरिच—a large iron bar or rod used for locking or shutting a gate. परिक्लिप्तः—who was girding his loins. उच्छ्रितः—swollen. क्लृप्तः—misery. क्षीय०—क्षीयं गतम्, i. e. with its animation gone. क्लृप्तः—indicative of some desperate act. कृच्छ्रः—a deed of daring such as suicide. प्रपितृसन्तः—Pres 3rd p. ra. sing. of the Desid. of वृ with पृ; wishes to do, i. e. is about to undertake. पतिपश्यन्ते—V. 1 will also do, though the first is preferable. अवकाशः—room or occasion for me to render him help. संनाहः—preparation.

P. 124. निर्वर्ण्य—Having closely observed. पूर्वेषु—in the Western countries. क्षामचरः—wandering at will. The Bhūṣhaṇā takes इषुकाम as the name of a province, but there is no authority for it. In Vāmana's Kāśikā and in the Sid.-Kau. as well, on Pāṇ. II. 1. 50 and on विश्ववृषदाद-संज्ञायाम् ॥ and प्राचा यामनगराणाम् (IV. 2. 107, VII. 3. 14) we have a town mentioned, but of the name of पूर्वेषुकामशमी

or इयुकामशमी; इयुकाम is not mentioned separately as the name of a province. गृहपति—may here mean 'the chief man in a village.' प्रयत्नः—Though brought up with care. देवच्छन्दाः—in obedience to the will of destiny; as was fated. अर्थ—a merchant. The word originally signified 'a cultivator of land, a peasant.' रूपाभिप्राहितः—brought with the (stolen) money on me; caught red-handed. दण्ड—sentenced to death. हिसाविहारी—delighting in killing. राजगोपुरः—The turret at the gate of the palace. उत्तम—principal. जनकण्ठरव—The sounds from the throats of, i. e. the clamour of; कण्ठरव is used to match with षण्ठारव. मण्डलितः—curling his huge trunk (काण्ड) परिणमन्—when bending down to strike. दारुखण्ड—a log of wood used as a sort of stocks for the hands (of a culprit). सुबिर—holes. षण्डघट्टित—violently struck. प्रतिमान—the part between the two tusks. नेटु—a driver. जातसंरम्भः—exasperated, enraged. निवृत्त्य—turned tail अक्रुतः—censured, reproached.

P. 125. वारण—the goad. निर्योणभागः—The outer corner of the eye (as being very sensitive to pain). द्विपकटि—This vermin or pig of an elephant. निष्ठुरः—peremptory. तद्विरम्य &c.—Can you therefore make up your mind to desist from this unworthy act and to follow an honourable course of life by accepting service under me? जातविश्रम्भेण—who had secured his confidence; qualifying मया; or separately, as जातश्वासौ विश्रम्भश्च तेन—owing to the confidence he had in me रिपुंनयस्य—conqueror of the enemies (Rājahansa). विश्रुतधीः—reputed for his intellect or ability. श्रुतर्षिः—adept in the Veda; or, a sage distinguished for his Vedic knowledge. Seven classes of Rishis are mentioned, viz. ऋषि, महर्षि, देवर्षि, ऋषि, परमर्षि, काण्डर्षि and श्रुतर्षि. द्वैमातुरः—born of his second or step mother. By मातुरुत्संख्यासंभद्र वायाः Pāp. IV. 1. 115. मातृ, preceded by a numeral, सं and भद्र takes the aff. अण and changes its ऋ to उद्; so द्वैमातुरः, षण्मातुरः &c. वेश—The habitation of harlots. दुर्नय—profligacy, dissolute conduct मदनमदन—Siva

P. 126. चकमे—The use of the Perfect in the 1st pers is a grammatical inaccuracy. छजे—secretly. आपन्नसखा—pregnant. अपविद्धः—cast off. आरक्षिकपुरुष—the city-watch. खण्डपारुख्य—the severity of punishment. राजाज्ञया—this goes with बद्धः प्राजिहीष्ये. आक्रीडनगिरि—the pleasure-mountain in the garden. यथोपपन्न—that were ready at hand or could be got at the time. प्राजिहीष्ये—was about to be killed:

Imperf. Pass. of the Desid. of हृ with प्र. लूनवन्धः—The blow did not kill him, but only cut off the cords that bound him. सपरिचारा—having with her the means of service. ०त्तंसितेन—decked with her sprout-like hands. अञ्जलिरेव किसलयः a bunch of sprouts; उत्तंसः अस्य संज्ञातः सः उत्तंसितः; अञ्जलिकिसलयैर्नत्तंसितः. मुख०—her curly hair waving about her face. अस्मै मे—me in this plight or state. आभाषिता—familiarily addressed. वाङ्मय—in the form of words. परेतावास—the residence of the dead, a cemetery.

P. 127. आस्थानी—The royal court. हरसख—Kubera. बराकी—the poor girl. एतावत् &c.—the sum and substance of the whole I gathered. अभिन्न—the same in different lives. वा किल &c.—Tārāvalī was Kāmapāla's wife in more lives than one. In a previous birth she had been his wife named Aryadāsī, he being born as Śādraka, and the mother of the boy whose re-birth from Kāntimatī had involved Kāmapāla in his present trouble. This boy finally turns out to be Arthapāla who is relating his account to Rājavāhana. For the easy understanding of the relationship here referred to and on the next page, l. 12, we give it clearly below. Kāmapāla was previously born as शौनक, and शूद्रक, so the relations stand thus—

Name	Wives
शौनक—बन्धुमती, वेदिमती, हंसावली, नन्दिनी, गोपकन्या	
शूद्रक—विनयवती, आर्यदासी, गूरसेना, रत्नपञ्चका, अर्यदासी	
कामपाल—कान्तिमती, सौमदेवी, सुलोचना, इन्द्रसेना, तारावली.	

The wives are also said to be the same individuals in different lives. We get no information about Śaunaka and Śādraka from the text. The relationship of Somadevi, Sulochanā and Indrasenā is also not directly mentioned. Perhaps they were Kāntimatī's companions in the harem. It is difficult to see what purpose is served by the mention of the different individuals here. What the context requires is that Kāntimatī's son was also Tārāvalī's son, being born of her as आर्यदासी in a previous life and nursed by Vinayavati. अवर्षत् &c.—It appears that she was separated from the boy soon after his birth, who was therefore brought up by Vinayavati. देव्ये वसुमत्ये &c.—See p. 19. कृतान्त—Destiny, providence, whose laws are fixed. The second कृतान्त means Yama. ०द्भूत—called into existence, created.

P. 128. प्रत्यपकृत्य—having returned the injury. निर्वा-
 तन—retaliation. प्रस्फुरन्तं—trembling. कन्वाभिर्वा—seeking
 union with your daughter; see p. 91. अनुवृत्त्या—The Com-
 takes this to mean सेवा; in this case the clause must
 be taken as ironical. 'I on a previous occasion violated
 your daughter without your अनुमति; now I have come
 to wipe off that offence by अनुवृत्ति, त+त, acting according to your
 wishes.' But it may better be taken to mean 'by repetition
 of the same act of daring'; i. e. 'to wreak my vengeance
 on you,' as is clear from his words प्रिये प्रत्यपकृत्य &c. above.
 दुहितृ— who conferred upon me the favour or honour of
 accepting my daughter's hand. उत्क्रान्तसीमा—transgressing
 the bounds of propriety. मन्त्रिपदपदेशं—under the guise
 of the ministerial post; i. e. I am a *mantri* in name but
 really a *Yuvarāja*. स—refers to Kāmapāla. तद्गुणे जन्तौ—refers
 to Pārṇabhadra who is relating the account to Arthapāla.
 परिचर्यानुबन्धी—showing the favour of receiving service
 from me. परिचर्या सेवा तस्या अनुबन्धोऽस्मास्तीति. अलसक--
 consumption.

P. 129. विधिना—properly, duly. यौवनोन्मादित्—flushed
 with the pride of youth. वैद्युन्यवादिनः—Insinuating something
 wicked. इत्यममाहृत—he was persuaded to take this view of
 things. भुजङ्ग—a dissolute fellow, a gallant. देवज्येष्ठ—the
 elder brother of Your Highness. प्रकृतिवि—To gain the con-
 fidence of the subjects. क्षिणोति पुरा—पुरा gives the Present
 the sense of the Future. दूषितः—set against him, made to be
 inimically disposed towards him. यक्षिणी—Tārāvalī. अयथा-
 पूर्वं—a change. देवि...भद्रे—It is strange that the Queen should
 address कान्ति as देवि and be addressed by her as भद्रे. These
 two should rather be interchanged. अयथातथ्येन—by telling a
 lie. सत्यमनतिक्रम्य यथातथम् । तथा तथशब्दो वा सत्यार्थः । तस्य भावः
 यथातथ्यम्. केन—on what account. किमपि कलुषिताशया—who was
 offended or displeased for some reason or other. मन्त्रोवापविष्टा-
 addressed by my name. This misnaming is alluded to by
 Sanskrit poets as a constant source of trouble and offence
 to ladies. Cf. तस्याः स्त्रिया नामधेयेन &c. Vik. p. 29; गोविन्दु स्तलित-
 स्तदा भवति च बीडाविलक्षश्चिरम् । Śāk. VI. 5; see also Kum.
 IV. 8. प्रणवं &c.—disregarding entreaty or supplication.
 उपोदमत्सरा—her jealousy increased all the more. प्रावसत्—
 left us. अवसीदति—is wasting away. दौर्मनस्य—दुःस्थितं
 मनोऽस्य दुर्गनास्तस्य भावः दौर्मनस्य mental distress or grief. प्रायेण—
 fully; or, with exaggeration (प्राय meaning plenty, abundance).

P. 130. अय—After that, being thus told. असौ—Simhaghosha. अनसिपेशलानि—Not very pleasing or agreeable; or not cleverly uttered; indifferent words. अवन्धयत्—threw into confinement. स्थाने स्थाने—at every station or public centre. तयोद्धरणीये &c.—His eyes are to be put out in such a way that death must ensue. पुरः—before (he dies). स्वसन—peril, danger. किं तव &c.—Why should I hide it from you? संकुले—in the crowd or tumult. भस्मानि वृत्तमिव &c.—i. e. will prove fruitless. Cf. 'All my efforts will end in smoke.' आशीविष—आशीविष in the jaw विषमस्य. A comp. of the पृषोदरादि class, स् being dropped and ई lengthened irregularly; or आश्या विषमस्य according to some. अभिगृह्य—having caught or secured him बह्वृच्छया—accidentally. नाम—'as if;' this has here the sense of अलीक (= feigned or pretended action). तथा विषं &c.—I will so restrain or check the poison (from having a fatal effect) that he will be cast off or left with indifference, as being dead. बोधयितव्या—should be apprised or informed. अनुप्राप्त—arrived just after these events. स्वया—refers to his mother. प्रेषणीयं—a message should be sent to.

P. 131. निरपेक्षं—Without any consideration of or regard to (his connexions &c.). गतिर्गन्तव्या—His course should be followed, i. e. should be accompanied in death. Cf. प्रमदाः पतिवर्त्मगा इति प्रतिपन्नं हि विचेतनैरपि । Kum. IV. 33. अनुकूल—worthy of, proper for. पश्चिमो विधिः—the last rite, viz. dying with their husband. काण्डपटी—canvas screen or curtain. संस्तरण—a bed. कृतानुमरणमण्डना—The woman about to immolate herself on the funeral pyre of her dead husband had to put on the dress of a *Suvāsini*; she had to wear a saffron-coloured garment and a similar bodice, with her hair untied, to put on her ornaments including the *Maṅgalasūtra* or the auspicious neck-ornament, and to besmear her forehead with rubbed turmeric, the symbol of her married life. बाह्यकक्षा—the outer compound. प्रवेशयित्वे—2nd Fut. pass.

वेषणास्थान—the place of proclamation (where his eyes were to be taken out). गूढतनुः &c.—secreted myself. यथावयं—as they were available. उच्चावच—of various sorts, all manner of talk (about the culprit). उद्गुरध्वनि—adv.; 'accompanied by loud shoutings.' It may also be an adj. qualifying महाजन, the whole being one comp. word. महाजन—a great conclave of people, the mob; cf. for this meaning महाजनः स्मेरमुखो भविष्यति Kum. V. 70. It may also mean—'the principal citizens;' महाजन

further on, however, means 'the mob.' मव्यासे—just below me. उपांशु—secretly. स्थूण, अङ्गारवर्ष—Two proper names. उपजप्य—having secretly instructed or prompted. उपजप्—means to make secret overtures to, to enter into a plot with. Cf. उपजापः कृतस्तेन तानाकोपवत्स्वयि । Śiś. II. 99. The word occurs again at pp. 199 and 201 below. अन्धसमस—total loss of sight or blindness. Mark the ending; a final अ is added to तमस् after अव &c.; see com. न्यायः—i. e. is the proper punishment. प्राड्विवाक—*a judge or magistrate.* प्राट् च विवाकश्च प्राड्विवाकौ प्रश्न-विवेकौ अस्य स्तः इति । 'विवादानुगतं पुष्टा पूर्ववाक्यं प्रयत्नतः । विचारयति येनासौ प्राड्विवाकस्ततः स्मृतः ॥'

P. 132. भीतो नाम—See com.; 'as if I was terrified;' or, pretending to be frightened. Cf. पतितेन नाम p. 130. विहितं—ensuring the preservation of his life. विनाचिकीर्षितः—was desired (condemned) to be deprived of. र्वीकरः—द्वी (the expanded hood) एव कटुः यस्य *a snake.* रूढत्रासं—fled away, being seized or overpowered by fear. The comp. may also be taken as रूढत्रासो यस्य स चासौ द्रुतश्च. अर्थ—अर्थ the real state of things. धीरम्—steadily. कलङ्कयेयम्—I shall bring disgrace to. उत्सवोत्तरम्—उत्तर in such cases means 'conspicuous or distinguished by,' attended with, full of, &c. Cf. राज्ञां तु चरितार्थता दुःखोत्तरैव Ś'āk. V. p. 118; and *infra* उत्सवोत्तरा पुरी p. 203 न स्याति. विद्धुः—the effect being counteracted by me. संस्थित—dead; cf. Ragh. VIII. 40.

P. 133. मरणमण्डनं—Such ornaments and dress as a *Sati* usually wears. See above, note on कृतानुमरणमण्डनया p. 131. वैनेतेयतां गतेन—acting the part of Garuḍa, i. e. in subduing the effect of the poison. Garuḍa is the principal deity invoked in the charm that nullifies the effect of serpent-poison. शत्रुतस्तनी—Such an effect on a mother at the sudden sight of her son is often described by Sanskrit poets. क्रूरा खलु सारावली—For she knew from Kubera that the foundling was then Kāntimati's, but once her own son; and the student has seen how, instead of bringing him to *Kāntimati, she took him to Vasumati; see pp. 19 and 127. परिस्थक्तः—see p. 126. उपलभ्यापि &c.—The construction is कुत्रैवात् तत्त्वतस्त्वामुपलभ्य. सैव वा—Mark the force of एव introducing an alternative supposition correcting a previous statement. तादृशात्—i. e. Vasumati. भाग्यराशिः &c.—भाग्य is the result of a good store of religious merit. She means that she was not destined to enjoy the pleasure of hearing his sweet lipings, being poor in merit;

but Vasumatī was, and hence Tārāvalī did the right thing in taking the boy to her (Vasumatī). अन्यादृशी—अन्या इव पश्यति looking like another, as if changed, so much frantic with joy she was. तथाभूतम्—i. e. his regaining his life and son. भाग्यवन्तं—is equivalent to भाग्यवक्त्रं, the sense of the comparative being expressed by the Abl. मघवतः. मनाक्—a little. प्रतिपत्तिः—What measures are we to adopt, what line of action do you mean to follow? प्राज्ञवीत्—Spoke with determination or decision.

P. 134. प्राकार (v. l. शाल) बलव—begirt (i. e. protected) by a rampart. अक्षयम्—the store-house of an inexhaustible number of weapons. अलङ्घ्यतमा—impregnable. गुप्तिः—defence. अनुकृष्यन्ते—approve of, like. बाह्याभ्यन्तः—बाह्याः are the people not immediately connected with a king, such as people of the border-kingdoms, foresters &c.; अभ्यन्तराः are the men immediately connected with the king, such as his family-priest, the ministers, commanders of his army, &c. See Kām. Nīt. XVI. 19-21. कोप—disturbance, disaffection, rebellion. प्रकृत्वमित्र—ordinary foes. अमति इति अमित्रः; fr. अम् 1 P. to go against or अम् 10 P. to afflict with sickness, + इ + त्र by अमेर्द्धिषति चित् (Uṇādi IV. 174). सहजान्—natural (i. e. born) enemies. Enemies, like friends, are of three classes, viz. सहज or those by birth, as a paternal uncle and his sons; प्रकृतिशत्रु or प्रकृत्यारि is one whose property or territory lies close to one's own; and कृत्रिमशत्रु is one so by act, i. e. who has done some great harm. See Malli. on Śiś. II. 36. The following verses from Kām. Nīt. XXVII. will throw light on this:—अलङ्घ्येयतनी लुब्धो मानी चाप्यवमानितः । उद्भ्रष्टो कोपितोऽकुस्मात्तथा भीतश्च भीषितः ॥ यथाभिलषितैः कामैर्भिन्नादिताश्चतुर्विधान् । परपक्षे स्वपक्षे च यथावत्प्रशमं नयेत् । भेदं कुर्वीत यत्नेन मन्व्यमात्यपुरोधसाय् ॥ पौराजानपदांश्चैव दण्डमुख्याश्च दण्डवित् । साधयेद्दानभेदाभ्यां यथायोगेन चापरान् ॥ दुर्दान्त—proud, insolent; or, not easily to be quelled or put down. प्रतिविधाव—having taken counter-(defensive) measures; secure against. विज्ञापितोदन्तः—informed of the affair. पारमामिक—Cf. *supra*, p. 101. Although Kāmapāla was not king, yet he was treated as a hostile person besieged in his residence, and hostile measures were adopted against him, such as that of cutting off supplies, &c. प्रत्यहन्वन्त—were counteracted. उद्घासितं—a house. उद्घुर्ध्वम् अवसीयते; fr. सो 4 P. to finish, complete or सि 5 P. or 9 P. to bind, to fasten; + कः. गता च सा—she reached that subterranean passage. इन्दुकला—expresses loveliness, slenderness of the body &c. निर्धुनाना—entirely dispelling. विध्वजरा-

the presiding goddess of the earth. The simile expresses lofty dignity, brilliance of complexion, &c. *Cf.* Ragh. XV. 82, 83. हरगृहिणीव—Not a happy simile, as भवानी, in her character as दुर्गा (the destroyer of demons), is fierce-looking and not gentle-looking. राजलक्ष्मीरिव &c.—*Cf.* for a similar idea अतिक्रान्तकुचपतिसहस्र &c. Kād. p. 11.

P. 135. काशयष्टिः—The kās'a plant. The kās'a plant is chosen because it has a rich growth of white flowers, and can, therefore, fitly bear comparison with the woman having a hoary head. "Tuis (kās'a) grass grows from ten to fifteen feet high, and the base of the flowers is surrounded with an immense quantity of bright silver coloured wool which whitens all the fields."—Wilson. वासरीनं—piteously through fear. आज्ञापय—Tell us. सुदस्यः—He addresses his speech to all the women there, as he found them frightened and confused. Mark the fem. form; शोभनादन्ता यस्याः सा सुदती a young woman. दन्त becomes दत् at the end of a Bah. when the comp. implies age, or when the whole is a fem. name. See com. सख्ये—there being an occasion for it. अनय—free from any mishap or danger. सुरक्षय—the abode of the gods, heaven. अन्तर्वत्नी—big which child. A न् is added to the त् of the words अन्तर्वत् and पतिवत् before the fem. aff ई; see com. उपहरे—in secret. विधिवत्—in lawful wedlock; goes with दिस्सामि. प्रकाशवस्थापन—rearing (*lit.* placing) them openly. अरातिव्यसनाय—to meet calamity arising from, i. e. as a safe asylum against an enemy. It does not mean 'for the incarceration of an enemy,' as there is no reason why a subterranean house was needed for that purpose; again, why were the halls comfortably built there? धूमिगृह—an underground mansion. कृत्रिम &c.—कृत्रिमश्वासौ शैलश्च तस्य गर्भे उत्कीर्णौ नाना मण्डपा यत्र तादृक् प्रेक्षागृहम्. प्रेक्षागृह—A dancing and music hall. परिवर्ह—retinue or train of attendants.

P. 136. भोग्यवस्तु—articles of luxury, stores. द्वयङ्गुलभित्तौ—about two inches (fingers) deep in the wall. द्वे अङ्गुली परिमाण-मस्या द्वयङ्गुला भित्तिः. अर्धपादं—a stone-covering (forming a trap-door). किङ्कविष्कम्भकं—a hand (or a span) in measure (square hand). समाः—years; the word is used generally in the pl. कृतं—granted that. स्वमाता—her mother. प्राप्तव्यं—Here रूप is added in the sense of excellence (प्रशंसा); see *supra*, p. 80 com.; *of.* also युक्तरूप Śā'k. II. 16, and Rāghav. on it. प्रत्युद्धृत्य—lifting it up from the opposite side वासगृह—the bed-

chamber. स्त्रिय—a multitude of women. The aff. न has the sense of 'a collection of.' संहित-bound; p. p. of दो 4. P. with सञ्. मलिन—sullen, gloomy. विलकथा—the adventure about the subterranean cavern. निकृष्टाशय—base-hearted, vile in purpose. यथार्हेण कर्मणा—with the proper ceremonies. प्रकृति &c.—this explains why he was not set at liberty; it may also be taken with सुमुक्षितः.

P. 137. कृतकर्मा—कृतानि कर्माणि (services) येन; who had been serviceable before. अभियुक्त—attacked. बहुपयुक्ता—made to serve a manifold purpose. ते श्वशुरः—Simhaghosha is Arthapála's father-in-law on account of his marriage with Manikarniká, the posthumous daughter of Chandaghosha, Simhaghosha's elder brother. प्रीतिस्मेरः—smiling joyfully. स्मेर is fr. स्मि + र by नमिकम्पिस्वजसकमहिसदीपो २: Pāṇ. III. 2. 167. र is added कर्तरि (in the sense of the agent) to these roots; so we get नम, कम्प, स्मेर, अजस्र, कम्प, हिंस्र and दीप्त.

अश्लेष—touching or scraping the clouds. कश् takes the aff. खच् after सर्व, कूल &c. (Pāṇ. III. 2. 42); see com. Before the aff. खच् and खम् the words अरुन्, द्विषत्, and those ending in अ, forming the object of the verb with which they are used prepositionally, take the augment श्. वनस्पति—वनस्य पतिः; a tree. The न् comes in, as the word belongs to the पारस्करादि class, cf. Pāṇ. VI. 1. 157; see also p. 157. परिणतपतङ्ग &c.—परिणत ripened, about to set; पतङ्ग the evening sun; स एव बालपल्लवः संज्यतंसः संजातोऽस्य, wearing the head ornament of tender sprouts in the form of the evening sun. उपास्य संभ्यां—having performed the evening twilight rites. समीकृत—were levelled (being covered up by darkness). विन्नोन्नत—the high and the low places, irregularities. शरारु—शृणाति इति (fr. शृ + आरु); ferocious animals. शर्व—Śiva. शार्वर—nocturnal, nightly. आभ्रमात—covered, screened. "In which the deep caverns were filled up (covered) with the mass (flood) of nocturnal darkness, dark like" &c. Mark the recurrence the letter श in these three lines.

P. 138. एकक—एक एव एकाकी or एककः (aff. कच्), Pāṇ. V. 3. 52. उपधाव—using it as a pillow. अनुस्वायिषत् किमपि—felt an indescribable pleasure. अभ्यमनायिष्ट—felt cheered or delighted. अनुस्वायिषत् and अभ्यमनायिष्ट are Aor. forms of सुखायते (सुखं वेदयते) and अभिमनायते denom. verbs fr. सुख (when the agent experiences the pleasure; see com.) and मनस् with अभि by adding कच् (च). आह्वयिषता Aor. 3rd pers. pl. of ह्व I. A'. to feel pleasure. ह्वयितः—thrilled, bristled.

p. p. p. of हृत् 4 P. to stand on end, as hair; the form is also हृत्, & being optionally prefixed to त् in this sense by हृत्तेर्लोभसु Pāṇ. VII 2. 29. हृत्, हृत्तिन् लोभ; see Sid.-Kau. for further particulars. पर्वस्फुरत् &c.—the throbbing of the right arm in the case of males indicates some impending good fortune; cf. स्फुरति च बाहुः कृतः फलमिहास्य Śāk. I. 15 and our notes *ad loc*; see also Ragh. VI. 68. वितान—a canopy. सम्या—near. चित्रास्तरण—a bed of diverse colours; चित्रास्तरण may also probably mean ‘carpets of various colours.’ आगलित—a little displaced. अमृत &c.—अमृत water; फलपटलवत्, पटलमेव च यद् &c. आदिबराह—The primeval Boar (Viṣṇu’s 3rd incarnation) that lifted the Earth out of the waters in which she was sinking. See our note on रसातलादादिभवेन पुंसा &c. Ragh. XIII. 8; and cf. Viṣṇu-P. ततः समुक्षिप्य परो स्वदेह्या महाबराहः स्फुटपटलोच्चनः । रसातलोद्धुत्पलपत्र-संनिभः समुत्थितो नील इवाचलो महात् ॥ असंस्त &c.—This corresponds to आगलितस्ननाशुका; as the earth emerged from the sea the oceanic waters rolled back from her head, and so she looked like the princess with her upper garment slipped off from her bosom

मयसाञ्जस—The meaning assigned to मय by the Com. is far-fetched and inappropriate, as it cannot be taken with the princess. The princess was in deep sleep and the earth was also motionless on account of the trance. The tremor was due to the stroke of the snout of the Boar; cf. येन प्रलयवराहचोणामि-षातभीती भूतघात्री &c. Kād. Hence the two are compared here. साञ्जस—agitation, perturbation. लास्य—dancing, throbbing. As her breath passed along the lower lip, the rays issuing from it seemed to throb. The poet compares her lower lip, which excited passion, to a spark of the burnt body of Cupid, and she was blowing it up as it were into a flame. पद्मद्व—*a* bee. जातनिद्रं—(1) closed; (2) closed in sleep. लोचनेन्द्रीवर—The blue-lotus-like eye takes the place of the bee confined in the closed lotus. Cf. Bhaṭṭi. IV. 19; Ragh. V. 68. देरावत् &c.—first plucked off and then cast away (lying disorderly) by इक्षुरी—a branch.

P. 139. ऊर्ध्वार्धकपाल—the upper half of the universal egg, i. e. the vault of the sky. उदर—the convex cavity of. शक्तिभवन—Kārttikeya. शिखर—the dome of his temple. शूल—the trident on its summit. उद्वेग—lofty like. According to Laghubhūṣikā (a short com. on the D.-K.; see the quotation in the com.) it means ‘a palace having the god Kārttikeya’

set on the ground floor and the trident on the dome or top, and technically called Nandyāvarta.' This sense seems to be preferable to that given by the Bhūṣhaṇā, viz. 'as lofty as the temple of Kārttikeya with the trident on its dome.' सोध— a mansion with white-washed walls. कुतस्त्वं—whence comes this. हंसतूलं—a silken bed stuffed with downy feathers; see p. 97. शीतरश्मि— the nymphs are supposed to be borne along the ropes formed of the lunar rays. देवीव &c.—like the goddess Lakshmi. शारदशशाङ्कु—is peculiarly white, and is often referred to by Sanskrit poets; cf. Śāk. कः शारदीं ज्योत्स्नां पटान्तेन वारयति III. p. 74.

संवाह्यमाना—(1) being acted upon; (2) gently pressed or shampooed. संकुचति—(1) is closed; (2) closes her eyes in sleep; this is one of the signs which distinguish her from the immortals. निद्राति *v. l.*—sleeps. शबलित—variegated, decked. उज्ज्वल—on which thore appear. निर्भय—*v. l.* दुर्भव makes no sense. The Com.'s. meaning असह्य is far-fetched. वैवर्ण्य—change of colour, it being dried up. वर्णक—the paint or unguent. परिभोगां—according as they are used or worn. धूसरिणम्—duskiness (which does not appear in the case of heavenly beings). These are the accidents from which the denizens of heaven are exempt. Three of the signs here mentioned are among the six by which Damayanti recognized Nala; cf. सुरेषु नापश्यदवैक्षताक्ष्णोर्निमेषमुर्वीधुति संमुखी सा । इह त्वमागम्य नले मिलेति संज्ञानदानादिव भाषमाणम् ॥ नाबुद्ध बाला विशुधेषु तेषु शीदं क्षितेरैक्षत नैषधे तु । पश्ये सृजन्याः परिभ्रमसुर्त्याः संभूतसंभेदमसंशयं सा ॥ स्वदेः स्वदेहस्य वियोगतापं निर्वापयिष्यन्निव संसिद्धो । हीराङ्गश्चावृणोति हेमनीव नले तयाऽऽलोकि न देवतेषु ॥ Nai. XIV. 19-21. तदेवा &c.—By observing these signs he determines that she is a mortal, and not a superhuman being सौकुमार्य—loveliness. संज्ञताः—joined together, stout and firm (and not loosened like those of married ladies). पाण्डुतां—mingled with paleness (brought on by her longing, and indicating that she was unmarried yet). Dissolve पाण्डुतया अनुविद्धा. अभ्रमणि—her ruby-like lower lip अनस्यापूर्ण— not much rounded, not very fleshy. कठोर—developed, expanded; hence, blooming.

P. 140. अन्कुषाणं—Because she had not yet been subject to the influence of love. विश्रवन्मधुरं—gracefully or charmingly on account of innocence or ease of mind (freedom from any misgiving). निर्दयं—cruel, i. e. hard-pressing. अनतिक्रान्तं—मर्यादं चेती यस्य whose mind has never entertained or harboured

a thought unworthy of an honourable man. The intended sense is well brought out in the Com. आसक्तयत्नरूपं—*Lit.* in a manner becoming the love I feel for her; hence, in obedience to the inspiration of love. स्पष्टं—undoubtedly. *Cf* p 98, l 11. अथाहं—and yet. स्पृष्टास्पृष्टं—just touching her body (neither in close contact with, nor separate from, her person) आविष्टं—in a manner filled with love and fear ble d d together; overpowered by the joint influence of. लक्ष्यसुप्तः—feigning sleep; outwardly asleep but observing what passed around. लक्ष्य pretence, shame; *cf.* इदानीं परीक्षे किं लक्ष्यसुप्तमुन परमार्थसुप्तमिदं द्वंदं *Mrich.* III. p. 78; also दीपं चापि न मर्षयेदभिमुखं स्याल्लक्ष्यसुप्तं यदि *Ibid.* III. 18. रोमोद्ध्व—horripilation caused by the touch is one of the *S'attvika bhāvas*; जृम्भा is a *Vibhāva* or external sign of a feeling; मथर may better be taken to mean 'dull;' see P^hāṣaṇā. स्वङ्कर्—moving, trembling. तान्त—wearied, languid; p p. p. of तम् अनतिपक्व—Incomplete, broken. अपाङ्गपरभाग &c.—with the beautiful corners of her eyes reddened. नासं—see com. विलास—particular posture of the body in the presence of a lover; विलासोद्ग—विशेषो यः प्रियासमावासानादिषु. विभ्रम—particular sportive actions of the body under the influence of love; amorous gesticulations. See com. व्यवहितानि—*Lit.* screened or mixed with; hence, full of. त्रीडान्तराणि—controlled by modesty (i. e. not freely displayed). कामावेगं—under the sway of vehement love. साध्वसायास—साध्वसजनित आयासः (*Madhy. Comp.*); languor or exhaustion. स्वेदपुलक—clusters of the drops of perspiration.

P. 141. मधुरं—charmingly contracted at the corner. त्रिभाग—*Lit.* means 'the third part.' तृतीयो भागस्त्रिभागः। संख्याशब्दस्य वृत्तिविषये पूरणार्थस्त्वामिष्यते। यथा शतांशः सहस्रांशः इति। *Malli. on Kum.* V. 57. आविष्ट—possessed by. किमपि—under the influence of some unknown power; I do not know how. As to the unknown power, see p. 143. l. 11. अननुकूल—unpleasant, disagreeable. विप्रलम्भ—an illusion. माया—magic power by which such illusions are wrought or unreal scenes presented to view. प्रतिशयितो भवामि—I shall lie down without food till I gain my object. *Cf.* अनया च किलास्मै प्रतिशयिताय स्त्रम् समादिष्टम् p. 149; कुङ्कैरपि प्रतिशयितैरिव *Kād.* p. 335. प्रतिशयन means lying down without food, with an intention even to die, before a deity, and keeping there until one secures the desired end.

तान्त—withered; see above. क्लिष्ट—worn out. निवसनो—Dissolve क्लिष्टं निवसनमुत्तरीयं च यस्याः; because the same garments were used; according to a line quoted by Mr. Agashe, a

woman in separation wears—वासस्तवेव वपुषो बल्यं तवेव हस्तस्य तैव जव-
नस्य चरनकाञ्ची. निरलक्तक &c.—drily red, being destitute of the
red lac-paint. जर्जरित—parched. धूय—dusky. रुधिरावशेष—
the animation and glow being gone, only blood remains behind.
कीदृशतर—excessively red. कुलचारिन्—virtuous conduct wor-
thy of a noble family; चरित्रमेव चारित्रम्. विधमेण—which had the
grace of, which looked like. एकवेणी०.—The mass of hair collect-
ed into a single braid and allowed to hang on the back reaching
down the hips. Ladies in separation are often described by
poets as wearing this एकवेणी; cf. नीलभागामया वेष्या जघने गतये-
कया । नीलया नीरदापाये वनराज्या महीमिव ॥ Rām. Sund. Kā. 15. 25;
etc.; Ayodh. K. X. 9 Śāk. VII. ततः प्रविशति एकवेणीधर
राकुन्तला p. 194; and Śl. 21; गण्डाभोगात्कडिनविषमामेकवेणीं करेण
Megh, 32. वृद्धिका—a sort of bodice, a covering. The tech-
nical meaning (a bracelet made of the horn of a rhinoceros or
the like, i.e. of ivory &c.) given by the Bhā. does not seem to
be intended, as is shown by the word परिधृता. पतिव्रतापताका—the
banner, i. e. the best of. The preceding signs showed that
she was like a dutiful wife, in separation, pining for her
husband. क्षामक्षामा—greatly emaciated. The repetition shows
excess; cf. क्षामक्षामकपोलमाननं Śāk. III. 8. अनुभाष—superhuman
power. वर्णविकाश—complexion. वास्तव्य—maternal affection.

P. 142. मणिभद्रस्वेति—see p. 19. राजराजप्रवर्तितौ—See *supra*
p. 127. वो जवनी—Being the mother of Arthapāla, she bore
maternal relation to the other Kuma'ras also, as they
were bound together by a sort of artificial fraternity.

Cf. Wilson's remark on this—"The fifth section relates the adven-
tures of Pramati, who is here represented as the son of Kāmapāla
by the Yakshipi Tāravāli, and not, as in the Introduction, the son of
Sumati. Arthapāla is there also called the son of Tāravāli, while,
as we have seen in the preceding narrative, he is described as the
son of Kāntimati. Either the author has been nodding, or the
Introduction is the work of a different writer, who has been heedless
or forgetful of the narrative of his predecessor." Such is Wilson's
remark; and the sentence further on, कथं मधुत एवाय वसतस्य अर्यपालस्य
जायतः सखा &c. on p. 143, at first sight seems to support it. But it is
due to Wilson's ignorance of the fact that Indian ladies regard the
friend of their son as a son and address him as such. In
the above sentence she calls Pra. her son but calls Artha. वरस. Even
in Nārāyaṇabhaṭṭa's पूर्वपीठिका of the Daś. published by Mr. Agashe,
he along with प्रमति is called the son of Sumati.

विदुः—i. e. his uncle. •कलुषिताशया—my mind or reason be-
ing clouded; see p. 129, ll. 13, 14. भद्रशब्दविधुर—अनुद्यय is fr. क्षी

with अनु and means 'what sticks to the mind after (अनु) and causes pain,' hence repentance, remorse. विधुर—विगता धूः कार्यभारी यस्मात् (with अच् added at the end); which cannot bear a burden or responsibility; hence, unnerved, helpless; hence, here, distressed; afflicted with repentance. Cf. मयि च विधुर मातः कान्तामवृत्तिपराङ्मुखः Vik. IV. 20. रक्षोरूप—in the form of a demon. चण्डिका—a passionate or irascible woman, a virago. प्रयासदुःखाय—that you should experience the pangs of separation. आविष्टा—possessed. आवस्ती—name of a town, the modern Sahet-mahal, on the southern bank of the river Irāvati. It was the capital of the Uttar-Kosalas, 58 miles north of Ayodhyā, where Lava is said to have reigned and which is called Śarāvati in Ragh. XV. 97. "It was the Savatthipura of the Buddhists. Buddha resided here for 25 years." Āgūṣhe. न तत्त्वतः परिच्छिन्नः—I did not know you properly or as to your real character. भविरलं—beset with many, abounding in, dangers. सुभग—pleasant or delightful in summer; cf. सुभगसलिलावगाढाः Ś'āk. I. 3. विमानहर्ष्य—*a very lofty palace (with seven stories); विमान may be a name, or a building like a balloon in form; cf. विमान-प्रतिच्छन्द. Vik. II.*

P. 143. आस्मालीकप्रत्याकलनं—Adv. comp.; with trepidation seizing me at (the consciousness of my crime) the offence I had offered to my husband. She was afraid because Gaurī might know her crime and reprove her for the same. प्रपन्न—bowed down with, overpowered. It may mean 'favourably inclined,' if the reading be हृदयम्. प्रस्थापनं—I regained my superhuman power भव—heart. आस्मानं &c.—do not disclose or communicate to each other their love. आघ्राना—overpowered or subdued (enslaved by). लब्धलक्षः—on finding an opportunity or leisure. Perhaps the reading is लक्ष्यः—on definitely knowing the object of his love (*lit.* his mark). प्राञ्जलि—पञ्चद्वः अञ्जलिर्येन तम्. अत्र्यवर्तिषि—set out for. निगम—a residence of merchants; a market—place. नैगम—a merchant, a citizen. The word occurs in Vik. V. 4. ताम्रचूड—a cook. वृद्धविदः—an old cunning Brāhmaṇa. नारिकेलजातिः—of the cocoanut breed; a large and strong cook. बलाकाजातिः—one of the Balākā kind. It is described as long-necked, white, and of great strength. प्रतिविद्ध—set up or matched against.

P. 144. स्युस्पादित—enlightened, made acquainted with, the real nature of things. उपशस्त्रिका—A small purse or box

(see com.) अनिसंरब्ध—very furious, greatly excited. अनु-
प्रहार—as each struck the other. स्वपक्ष—the partisans of each.
कण्ठारवर—*lit.* the lion's roar, the war-cry, the cry or shout of
encouragement. स्वपाट—his own part of the country or party;
for the Brāh. belonged to the eastern part of the country.
वयोविरुद्ध—Because ययारेव समं वितं &c. सत्कार्य—If there be an
occasion for it; see *supra*. p. 135. 1 6. हंसक—an anklet
(ornament for the feet); *cf.* सरित इव सविभ्रमप्रपातप्रणदितहंसकभूषणा
विरुद्धः। Śāś. VII. 23 पर्यायिण—alt-erately. निवेर्णयन्ती—closely
marking or observing. सवितर्कम्—वितर्केण सहितं यथा तथा
(Avyā); surmisingly. अनाकस्मिक—not accidental, not surely
a matter of chance; *i. e.* occasioned by some motive. चिर-
स्थिति—standing for a long time. The Com. needlessly takes
स्थिति in the sense of स्थैर्य. कथासंश्रिता—engaged in conver-
sation. देशान्तिथि—one coming from a different country (and
not merely a different village); a foreigner. गुणः—favour.

P. 145. संवाध—a crowd. तद् दृश्यतलं—that (*i. e.* that
was seen by me) surface of the mansion. प्रकामावि—very
extensive. प्रतिकृति—a portrait. तावती भूमिं—that stage in
the progress of love, or that intensity of love. व्यथितोन्मादिता—
tormented and driven to insanity. उन्माद is one of the ten
stages of love; see *supra* p. 95. note on उन्माद्यन. निर्वन्धपृष्ट—
asked with importunity, or insistingly. समर्थ—adequate; *lit.*
capable of explaining the whole. संशयाना—suspecting; pres.
p. of शी with सम्. व्याजमुतां—feigning sleep. उल्लसन्—swel-
ling, rising. किलैष स्वप्नः—could this be a dream? गमय—
allow to pass. निराशङ्क—*—*which might enable me to reside
in the princess' apartment without any apprehension of
danger. अरुपुपगमय—having somehow made her to agree
to it, having persuaded her. खर्वट—a village at the foot of
a mountain. See, however, note on नगरग्राम *eto.* p. 157.
विभ्रमय—having asked me to take rest. *Cf.* शकटदास विश्रामय
करभकम्। Mud. p. 70.

P. 146. प्रत्यादेश—*Lit.* ordering back; setting aside;
hence, an excuser, a rival. *Cf.* प्रत्यादेशो रूपगर्वितायाः श्रियः
Vik I.; प्रत्यादेशो धनुमतां Kād. p. 5. It also means 'rejec-
tion.' *cf.* Śāk. VI. 9. नवमालिका—is noted for its softness. *Cf.*
येन नवमालिकाकुसुमपेलषा त्वं &c Śāk. p. 19. समापत्तिदृष्टा—seen
accidentally. *Cf.* समापत्तिदृष्टन केशिना Vik. p. 10. नाराच—steel-point-
ed arrows. शल्योद्धरणक्षनः—The Com. reads ०णक्षमः,—evidently
taking it with the speaker. धन्वन्तरि—The physician of the gods
and one of the 14 jewels produced at the churning of the

ocean, with a cup of nectar in his hand. परिवर्तितः—having changed my dress for a woman's; having disguised myself in female apparel. नाम—अलीके, assuming the character of, giving out that. The author only knows how a strong and well-built young man with muscular arms like Pramati (all the Kunnâras were such) could assume the disguise of a young girl and pass for such. The device, however, is ingeniously planned. Perhaps this part of the story was suggested by the 15th story of Vetâla, wherein mention is made of a boy disguised as a girl and his introduction as such in the royal household and his intrigue with the princess; the following extract from the Kathâsaritsâgara, XII. 22, will make the similarity clear—तदपि ते समादाय गत्वा धूर्ताधिपौऽथ सः । तत्प्रिया-

जनकं भूपमास्थाने तं व्यजिज्ञपत् ॥ राजन्नेकोऽस्ति मे पुत्रः कन्या दूराच्च तच्छ्रुते ।
मयेषा याचिताऽऽनीता स च क्वापि गतोऽधुना ॥ तमन्वेष्टुमहं यामि तदेषा रक्षयता
व्या । आनयामि सुतं यावत्त्वं हि विश्वस्य रक्षिता ॥ तच्छ्रुत्वा शापमीत्या च
प्रतिपद्य स भूपतिः । सुतामानाययामास यशःकेतुः शशिप्रभाम् ॥ जगद् चैत
पुत्रीमा कन्यारक्षेः स्वमन्त्रिरे । स्वपार्श्वे एव चाहारशय्या चास्याः प्रकल्पये ॥ slokas
27-31 ; अथ तत्र तया साकं स मन्त्रिसुतमार्यया । तस्थौ द्विजो दिवा नागी रात्रौ
च पुरुषोऽभवत् ॥ १८ ॥ शशिनाऽनुगतः मरुत्या तरुणद्विजरूपिणा । आगत्य तं यशः—
केतुं प्रह्ला राजानमब्रवीत् ॥ आनीतोऽयं मया पुत्रो देहि मे तां स्तुषामिति ॥ * *

* * * ब्रह्मज जने कं गता सा स्तुषा ते क्षमस्व तत् । अपराधास्तुतस्यार्थे
ददामि स्वसुतां तव ॥ १०३ ॥ &c. धर्मोसन—judgement-seat, throne of
justice, i. e. sitting on which a king dispenses judgement. विद्यामयं &c.—The only price charged was learning. वैवाह्य—
fit for a marriage-connexion. अनुमता दातुं—betrothed. संन्यसिष्ये—संन्यासं ग्रहीष्यामि (i. e. enter upon the fourth stage of
life). दुरभिरक्षतया—the care of (grown-up) daughters being
an arduous or difficult task. आपन्नसरण—the protector or
succour of the distressed. अधीतिन—अधीतमनेन proficient in
sacred lore. See com. at p. 147. अगति—helpless, having no
other course left. आदिराज—his predecessors (आदिराजानां &c.);
Or king. आदिराजः, which may refer to Vaivasvata Manu; cf.
वेवस्वतो मनुर्नाम, माननीयो मनीषिणाञ् । आसीन्महीक्षितामाद्यः प्रणवश्चन्द्रसामिव ॥
Ragh. I. 11 'The chief of those whose careers were as noble and
exalted as that of Manu, the first king.' आदिराजो मनुर्विव प्रजानाञ् ।
Râmâ. According to some आदिराज is पुष्यु. The Mah-Bhâr men-
tions आदिराज as one of the sons of अविक्षितः—अविक्षितः परिक्षितु
शबलाश्चैव वीर्यवान् । आदिराजो विरागश्च शास्त्रमलिश्च महाबलः ॥ A'sr. V.P.
101. 40. But this king could not have been meant. Dandîn
probably refers by आदिराज to the preceding kings, as in his

Kāvyādarśa:—आदिराजयशोविम्बमादर्शं पाप्य बाह्वयम् । तेषामसीनिचानेऽपि न स्वयं पश्य नश्यति ॥—where the Oom. says आदिकालीना इशवाकुपभृतयो राजानः as is also clear from the author's word तेषाम् in the third line. धुर्यः—धुरं वहतीति; also घेरिय by adding दक् (एय); see oom.; lit. 'one who bears a yoke'; hence, the chief of.

P. 147. भवज्ज०—gives the हेतु. Her chastity remaining inviolate under the shadow of your arm. अभिमनायमानः—approving of it. Cf. *supra*, अव्यमनायिष्ट चान्तरारमा p. 138. फल्गुनीषु उत्तराशु—The twelfth lunar mansion consisting of two stars having the figure of a bed. Here the full-moon-day is meant, as this is the asterism of that day and gives the name to the month. गोरुतान्तरं—A distance covered by the lowing of a cow. वानीर—a sort of cane. विहारस्याकुले—being deeply engaged in sport. मग्नपसृतः—diving and swimming off (under water). जामाता नाम—here नाम is used to indicate a reigned or pretended action (अलीकं), cf. *supra* भीतो नामावपुरय p. 132; and *infra* कार्तान्तिकी नाम भूवा p. 159. उन्मङ्ग्यामि—I shall emerge. आस्थानी—the royal assembly. श्रीभुजो—he is fit to serve you, the enjoyer of wealth, i. e. the wealthy king. गृहीतिन्—one who has mastered. Words like अधीतिन्, गृहीतिन् &c., govern the loc. of their object, by the Vārt. 'तस्मैन्विषयस्य कर्मण्युपसंख्यानम्.' The six *an̄gas* or minor works necessary for the proper understanding of the Vedas and the ritual are:—शिक्षा कल्पो व्याकरणं निरुक्तं ज्योतिषां गतिः । छन्दोविचितीरित्येष षडङ्गा वेद उच्यते ॥ आन्वीक्षिकी—logic; it also means metaphysics or आत्मविद्या. Cf. Kāmāndaka आन्वीक्षिक्यात्मविद्यास्यादक्षिणः सुखदुःखयोः । ईक्षमाणस्तथा तत्त्वं हर्षशोकौ व्युदस्यति ॥

चतुःषष्टिकला &c.—For the sake of the curious reader the sixty four arts mentioned by Hindu writers are given below in a foot-note from Vātsyāyana's Kāma.—Sūt. III. 16.* आगम—theory. प्रयोग—Practice. तन्त्र—a treatise on a particular art.

* गीतं, वाद्यं, नृत्यं, आलङ्कार्यं, विशेषकच्छयं, तान्द्रकुसुमचलिविकाराः, पुष्पा-
न्तरणं, दशनवसनाङ्गरागः, मणिभूमिकार्कम्, शयनरचनं, उदकवाद्यं, उदकापातः,
चित्राश्वयोगाः, माल्यग्रथनविकल्पाः, शिल्पकापीडयोजनं, नेपथ्यप्रयोगाः, कर्ण-
पत्रभङ्गाः, गन्धयुक्तिः, भूषणयोजनं, ऐन्द्रजालाः, कौचुमाराश्च योगाः,
हस्तलाघवं, विचित्रशाकयूष (०काप०) मक्षयविकाराक्रिया, पानकरस-
रागासवयोजनं, सूचीवानकर्मणि, सूत्रकीडा, वीणाहमरुकवाद्यानि, पहे-
लिका, प्रतिमाला, दूर्वाचकयोगाः, पुस्तकवाचनं, नाटकारुणायिकादर्शनं,
काव्यसप्तस्थापूर्णं, पट्टिकविज्ञानविकल्पाः, तक्षकर्मणि, तक्ष्णं, वास्तुविद्या, रूप-
रत्नपरीक्षा, धातुवादः, मणिरागाकरज्ञान, वृक्षायुर्वेदयोगाः, मेघकुटलावयुक्त

पुराण—A Purāṇa treats of five topics—सगंश्च प्रतिसर्गश्च वंशो मन्वन्तराणि च । वंशानुचरितं चैव पुराणं पञ्चलक्षणम् ॥ इतिहास—fr. इतिह a particle expressing past occurrences orally handed down; तदास्ते अस्मिन्; properly means the philosophy of history; historical facts so arranged as to teach moral lessons &c. It is defined as धर्मार्थकाममोक्षाणामुपदेशतन्त्रितम् । पूर्वेवृत्तं कथायुक्तमितिहासं पचक्षते ॥ आख्यायिका—see *supra*, p. 21. उपनिषद्:—portions of the Veda (forming the उत्तरमीमांसा or वेदान्त) the main object of which is to explain the true relation of the world, as also of the individual soul, to Brahma, and to point out thereby the true means of salvation. अर्थशास्त्र—or the Pārvamīmāṃsā, which explains the Vedic Mantras applicable to the ritual. Or अर्थशास्त्र may have its usual meaning of 'The science of wealth or political economy.' निमंस्वरः &c.—an appreciator of the merits of others without being jealous.

P. 148. शब्दयः—of agreeable or sweet address. संविभागः—munificent. श्रुतधरः—श्रुतस्य धरः, धरतीति धरः; श्रुत sound knowledge of the Śāstras; cf. श्रुतमप्यधिगम्य ये रिपून् &c. Kir. II. 41. न च गुणेषु &c.—Nor do I see any virtue which he does not possess. बलक्षय—embarrassment, perplexity, confusion. अनित्यता—by mentioning the fact that worldly things are after all transitory. उपक्रमिष्यसे—proceed to, be prepared for. अनूयैः—of great value. उपचूडय—having coaxed or gratified. कपटप्रपञ्च—the laying out or formulating a fraudulent plan or scheme. पाञ्चालशर्मा—This somewhat abrupt introduction of the name of the Brāhmaṇa at the close of the episode is probably for the sake of alliteration it gives with पञ्च in पपञ्च निपुणं—cleverly, skilfully. अहीनकाल—immediate, without loss of time. नवमालिका—The prices of that name; also, the creeper of that name. हितमुकुलित—blooming with a smile. ऊर्जित—high spirit, nobility of mind. This may also be taken as an adj. meaning 'lofty', noble, qualifying चेष्टितम्.

विधिः, शुक्रशारिकापलापनं. उरसादने सवाहने केशमदेने च कौशलम्. अक्षर-मुष्टिकाकथनं, म्लच्छित्तविकल्पाः, देशभाषाविज्ञानं, पुष्पशकटिका, निमित्तज्ञानं, यन्त्रमातृका, धरणमातृका, संग्रह्य मानसी. काव्यक्रिया. अभिधानकाव्यः, छन्दोज्ञानं, क्रियाकल्पः, छलितकथागाः, वस्त्रगोपनानि, द्यूतविशेषाः, आकर्ष-कीडा, बालकीडनकानि, वेनायिकीनां वैजयिकीनां व्यायामिकीनां च विद्यानां ज्ञानम्, इति चतुःषष्टिरङ्गविद्याः। शास्त्रान्तरे चतुःषष्ट्युलकला उक्तास्मासां कर्मा-भ्याम्भुविंशतिः, द्यूताभ्यां विंशतिः, शयनोपचारिकाः षोडश, चतस्र उचर-कलाः। For these see the com. on the Kāma-Sātras

P. 149. सुहोतु—The Suhma country lay to the west of Vaṅga (Eastern Bengal). Its capital ताम्रलिप्त (also called दामलिप्त तामलिप्त &c.) is identified with the modern Tumlook on the right bank of the Cossye (the Kapiśá of Kálidāsa). In ancient times the town was situated nearer the sea and was a place of considerable maritime trade. परिवादिनी—a seven stringed instrument, a guitar. विस्मृतः—adv.; in a manner forgetting her passion for her residence on Vindhya. चिन्धवासिनी—the goddess Durgá (as the goddess of the Vindhya Mountain), called further on Somápidá. “A celebrated temple to her under this appellation is in the neighbourhood of Mirzapur.”—Wilson. प्रतिशयिताय—see *supra*, p. 141. 1. 8. अनुजीविष्यति—will be the vassal of, will depend on. कन्दुकवृत्त्य—playing at ball, moving the ball dexterously; see p. 151. ll 9-16. The commentator's कन्दुकवृत्त्यं तेन does not seem to be right. कन्दुकावती—the final vowel of a word is lengthened before मत् or वत् when it contains many vowels and is not a word of the अजिरादि class and the whole forms a name; see Pāṇ. VI. 3. 119 quoted in the com; thus अमरावती; but वलयवती (which is not a name). धात्रेयिका—herfester-sister; see com. The aff. is ढक् (व्य), धात्रेयःm., धात्रेयिका (also धात्रेयी) fem.

P. 150. बलवत्—forcibly; often used an adv. नूपुरकणितं—the tinkling of anklets. मे जीवितं—i.e. his beloved. निरुमता—(1) coldness; (2) want of animation, spiritlessness. सुदृष्टं कारयित्वा—making her take a full view of me. निष्प्रतिक्रियान्—powerless to retaliate, which find no means of retaliation. वेशदास—slave of a harlot. वेशः—the courtesan-class. समर्थवेद्यं—I shall be upholding or confirming. अवदर्शी—I will myself lead the way. उदैरत—Imperfect 3rd pers. pl. of ईर् 2 A'. to go, with उद्. अनिषिद्धदर्शना—a sight of her is freely allowed to all. This shows that in Daṇḍin's time also, princesses and high-class ladies did not expose themselves to public eyes except on occasions.

P. 151. सकाशवर्तिनी—I will stand at her elbow. रङ्गपीठ—any seat for beginning any exhibition. अतिष्ठत्—she at once stood in (i.e. occupied, took possession of) my heart. अन्तराले—in her passage from where she stood to my heart. चिन्तीया—admiration. A noun from the denom. verb चिन्तयते derived from चिन्त्र by affixing क्यच् (य). The verbs thus formed are A'tm. चिन्तयति &c.—He means that she is superior even to Lakṣmī in

beauty, excellence &c. अनवय—*a double negative; वय is what is fit to be spoken; अवय is what is fit to be condemned, or blameable; and न अवयमनवयं what is faultless, praiseworthy, excellent. Lakshmi is वया because she submits to the embraces of many. अयातयाम—यातो यामः उपभोगकालो यस्य; fresh, not previously enjoyed by any one. For यानयाम comp. Bg. XVII. 10. अनव—unblemished, blameless, excellent, faultless; without blemish or deformity. व्यस्यस्त—thrown crosswise; or, with the palms turned downwards. अमन्दराग—*the spots on which were of a deep-red paint. अक्षि in the case of the ball means 'eye-like spots.' In the other case अमन्दराग means 'excessive or intense passion.' लीलाशियिलं—gently (lit. loosely, not with great force) through sportiveness. समाहृत्वा—striking it down. हस्तपुष्टेन &c.—Throwing it up after having caught it on the back of her hand. चतुल्लङ्घितलङ्घित—marked with her quickly-moving glances. A series of glances is often compared, on account of the dark pupil being prominent therein, to a garland of blue lotuses by Sanskrit poets. भ्रमरमाला—The row of bees corresponds to the series of her glances. मध्यविलम्बित &c.—Striking it with greater or less force; keeping the time of its rapid, slow or ordinary motion. पूर्ववद्—has a technical meaning; it means—stepping backwards with a degree of rapidity proportionate to the motion of the ball and impelling it with proportionate force. पक्षं &c.—She kept it fluttering in space like a bird, hitting it alternately with her right or left hand as it approached her obliquely or in a straight line. दुरीर्यते &c.—When it rose to a great height, she struck it in its rapid descent and took the musical leap, i. e. sprang forward ten steps to catch it.**

P. 152. प्रत्यागमयत्—brought it back to its original or starting point. अनेककरणधुर—gracefully on account of the several feats of dexterity. उच्चावचः—loud and gentle, manifold. प्रशंसावाचः—exclamations of applause. तस्मिन्—In whom I came to confide the very moment. The Com. reads प्रतिक्षणारुहविभ्रमं—whose admiration grew every moment. If this be the original reading, it must be taken as an adv. along with कण्टकितगण्डं &c.; or it will be better to read प्रतिक्षणारुहविभ्रमे qualifying मयि. But the reading in the text is better. उत्कुक्षेभवं—with my eyes dilated. भवि—The constr. is तस्या अभिवृत्तीषु सिद्धति मयि. तन्मध्यमावतीर्ष &c.—under the influence

of love felt then for the first time. सद्युत्तमार्ग—following the motion of the ball. मदर्शनलज्जया—abashed by my gaze पुष्प-मयं &c.—a flowery cage was as it were formed by the red-spotted ball whirled about her in rapid rotations. पञ्चविन्दुप्रसूत—giving five strokes to the ball rapidly so as to make it appear like five specks. गोमूत्रिकाप्रसार—a movement like the undulating line of forked lightning (Wilson). रागविभ्रम—(1) motion of the different colours; (2) the flashing of its colour. भूषणमयि &c.—in which the jewels in her ornaments jingled in correspondence with the fallings of her foot-steps. अपदेक्ष-स्मित—smiles under some pretext. प्रतिसमाहित—re-adjusted. शिखण्डभार—mass of her hair, abundant tresses. समाचटित—struck together. अश्रितोत्थित—beautifully rising. वेक्षित—waved. आवर्जित—In which her long arms were converged. त्रिक—the distance between the shoulder-blades. अवगलित &c.—in which the golden sockets of her displaced ear-ornaments were put back with such quickness that her ball-sport was not interrupted. असकृदुत्क्षिप्यमाण—In which the ball was whirled in circles round and within (the space of) the hands and feet lifted up.

P. 153. मध्वयटिकम्—In which the very thin (*lit.* stick-like) middle part of her body was now seen and now lost to view. विपर्यस्त—tossed about. अकुरित—appearing as drops. दूषित—wetted. पद्मभङ्ग—The ornamental paintings on. श्रवणपल्लव—The tender leaf worn on the ear as an ornament. निबध्नन्—restraining, adjusting or keeping in position. निमील्य—bending, shrinking. उन्मील्य—unbending, stretching forth. एकेनैवा-नेकेनैव—*Cf.* for the idea एकोऽपि त्रय इव भाति कन्दुकोऽयं &c. quoted in the Introduction. सानुराग—(1) full of love; (2) affectionate. कुवलय—The blue lotus or नीलोत्पल is one of the five arrows of Cupid. सापदेक्ष—under some pretext; one of the ways in which Sanskrit poets make maidens betray their love. *Cf.* दर्भोक्षुरेण चरणः क्षत इत्यकाण्डे &c. S'āk. II. 13; and यदियं पुनरप्यपाङ्गनेना परि-वृत्तार्धमुखी मयाऽय दृष्टा Vik. J. 16. बल्लभम्—with care. अस्तुहारं—splendid, liberal. प्रणयपेशलं—gracefully through love. आशास्थं—merely to be wished for (*i. e.* not to be realized). विरक्तः—disgusted with or ceasing to love her.

P. 154. रोषादिव—Because she had fixed her affection on one who had excelled him (Kāma) in beauty. सम्हरदिव—By Kāma. Śambhara was a demon killed by Pradyumna, son of Kṛishṇa, and supposed to be Kāma re-born as such; hence

शम्बर० means Kāma. विदितम्—By whom the state of her mind (i. e. that she was affected by love) was known. विधिः—a thing ordained, or course of events. बहु विकल्पवतीः—who discussed the matter, expressing many misgivings. निवस—morning devotions. अनुकूल—calculated to please, agreeable. उपकार्या—a tent. उपरुद्धं—held fast or bound by. इतावाः &c. —that hussy, Ohandrasenā. जालरन्त्र—the lattice-holes. तच्छेष्टां—appointed to watch her actions. वराकी—the wretch. किल—as is said; or, as I hear. This shows that he treated the prophecy with scorn.

P. 155. स्पन्दमानः—swimming. प्रत्युषसि—the next morning. वहिर्वा—A boat or ship; cf. प्रलययोधिजले धृतवानसि वेदं विहितवह्निचरित्रमखेदम्। Gīta. I. यवनाः—Wilson says—“By Yavanas we are here probably to understand Arabs, who, we know, were at this period the chief traders and navigators in the Indian and China seas.” रामेयुनाम्ने—The name Rāmeshu seems to be an Indian name; the Yavanas, therefore, were under the command of an Indian navigator. So it appears the Yavanas mentioned here were some settlers from Arabia on the sea-coast near the Suhma country and mixed up with the Indian fishermen there. नाविकनायक—the captain. अपि—it is possible that. द्राक्षार्वा &c.—It seems it was their trade to capture men and sell them as slaves to work in large fields of grape-plants or vineyards. मद्गु—a galley or war-ship. संप्रहार—a hand-to-hand fight. पराजायिषत—Pass. Aor, 3rd pers. pl. of जि with परा. अगतीर—helpless. अवसीदतः—giving way, whose courage failed them. अवसाद्य—to ront, to destroy. भल्ल—a large arrow with a crescent-shaped blade at the end. अनभिसर—who was unattended or without servants; it may also mean, who had not come forth to fight. सांघाविकः—my comrades in the fight. The word properly means a ‘merchant trading by sea;’ समुद्रितानां गमनं द्वीपान्तरगमनं वा संयात्रा। सा प्रयोजनमस्य; संयात्रा + टञ् (इक). कृतान्तविल०—The evil pastimes of fortune or fate; for this meaning of कृतान्त cf. *supra* p. 127, l. 14. हर्षकिलकिला०—peculiar shouts of rejoicings. किलकिला is an onomatopoeic word. Cf. संसकाकुल-केलयः किलकिलाकोलाहलैः संमदात् &c. Mā. —Mādh. V. 11.

P. 156. दुर्वारा—Difficult to be managed or properly steered. दुर्वहा ०. l.—difficult to be controlled or guided. अननुकूल—contrary, not favourable. गाढपातित०—having dropped the stone-anchor so that it should stick fast to the ground. This is an adverbial comp. मितम्बभाग—the middle region or

the skirts. **गन्धराषाण**—minerals, such as red arsenic and others; or, benzoin (शैलेय). **उपस्थका**—adjoining ground. We should rather expect **अधिरथका** (table-land) here, first because he is referring to the land above the **नितम्ब** of the mountain, and also because such minerals are found on the tops of mountains. *Cf.* **अधिरथकायामिव धातुमयं** Ragh. II. 29 **चन्द्रकोत्तरं**—marked by the spreading circles caused by the drops of &c. **गोमवादि**—water of a mountain-stream. **मञ्जुवतर**—exceedingly lovely or beautiful, engaging. **आशोग**—expanse, avenue. **अहसतरवा**—that never got satisfied; that was the more thirsty. **पश्यद्**—enjoying the sight of; attracted by. **शोषभूत**—made red. **नालीक**—a lotus. **भीमरूप**—of hideous aspect. **निर्भर्त्सयता**—menacingly; the root, which is **A tm**, is often used in the *Paras.* by our poet. **विज्रमादाय**—having, or covered with, (mineral) stones of variegated colours. **प्रियवित्ताय**—for happiness and benefit. **संकल्प**—determination, resolute purpose.

P. 157. प्रमाण—Proofs. **विमर्तः**—A most arid country in ancient times. It stood for the desert on the east of the **S'atadru** and included the tract between the **Satlej** and the **Sarasvati**, containing **Ludhiana** and **Patiala** on the north and some portion of the desert on the south. **स्फीत**—large. **सार**—property, estate. **दशशनाक्षः**—**Indra** (the god with a thousand eyes), the dispenser of rain. **न वर्षे दशः** is idiomatic for 'there was no rain.' **ओषधः**—ओषः पाकः धीयते आसु इति; annual plants or herbs that die after bearing fruit. See com., and *Manu.* I. 46. **वनस्पतयः**—large trees that bear fruit without apparent blossoms; see note on the word at p. 137. **झीवाः**—without watery substance, empty. **सवन्ती**—a river. **नित्यन्द**—the current. **वृत्त**—a stream. The word occurs in the *Veda* in the same sense. **कथ**—jovial talks, merry conversations. **द्युक्**—lean, starving. **नगरग्रामः**—**नगर** is the principal town of a province where a king resides; *cf.* Ragh. IX. 2. **सर्वट** is a small town having a market-place, and graded between a town and a village. **यत्रैकतो भवेद् ग्रामो नगरं चैकतः** स्मृतम्। मिश्रं तु सर्वटं नाम नदी-गिरिसमाश्रयम् ॥ quoted by **Bhānuji Dikshita** in his com. on *Amara.* III. 5. 33. **Kshīrasvāmī** says **सर्वटश्चतुःशतग्रामाणां संग्रहस्थानं**, but there seems to be some inaccuracy here; for, from **Dandin's** use of it, it does not appear to be such a big thing (*cf.* **Marāṭhi खेडं** which is derived from it). **पुटभेदन**—a town; it is given in *Amara.* as a synonym of **नगरी**; it is variously derived as—**पुटानि माण्डानि भिद्यन्तेऽस्मिन्**; **पुटा माण्डवास्तनानि**

मिषन्ते अस्मिन्, or पुटे: अश्वसुरैर्मिषते इति, according to some. Mr. A'gāshe observes, "These terms are found in Kauṭīliya II. 1. 19, and they are explained there in a foot-note as under—
नगरं राजधानी, क्षुल्लकपाकारवेष्टितं सर्वटम्। पट्टनं शकटैर्मस्यं घाटिकैर्नौभिरेव च। नौभिरेव तु यद्दस्यं पट्टणं तत्पचक्षते। द्रोणमुखं जलनिर्गमपवेशं (where exit or entrance is by means of boats) पट्टणमित्यर्थः। इति रायसपेणी-सूत्रम्याख्याने। प. २०६. नगराणि करवर्जितानि निगमवणिजां स्थानानि..... सर्वटानि क्षुल्लनगराणि (small towns)। पत्तनानि जलस्थलपथयोरन्यतर-पुत्तानि। इति प्रश्नव्याकरणसूत्रम्याख्याने। प. २०६.

अजाविक—flocks of sheep and goats; अजाश्च अविकाश्च तेषां समाहारः. क is added स्वार्थे to अवि; see also com. अजाविकटं v. l.—here कट is the affix in the sense of संघात; see com. (Vārt. on संप्रोदश्च कटच्. Pāp. V. 2. 29). गवल्—a wild buffalo. उद्धहन्—bearing her on his back. स्वनांसासृगपनीत etc.—Daṇḍin seems to have taken the principal part of this story from Guṇāḍhya's Bṛihatkaṭhā; cf. with this the story of a merchant's son related by G. mukha to Naravāhanadatta in Kathās. Lambaka X. चिन्तमान—rolling, struggling. आर्द्राशयः—with his heart melted with pity. गहनंदेश—
a region in the depth of the forest. रोपित—healed. इङ्गुलीतेलम्—The oil of Iṅgudi is said to have this virtue. Cf. वणविरोपणमिङ्गुदीनां तैलं न्यविच्यत हुस्ते &c. Śāk. IV. 14.

P. 158. उद्विक्तधानुम्—when there was an abundance of vital fluids in his body. उपातिष्ठत्—should rather be A'tm. उदक्त्रभययितं—as he asked for water to drink. उद्वहन—a bucket, a pot for drawing water out of a well. प्रणुभेद—pushed him in. विकल—the cripple, the mutilated man. स्कन्धेनोदुह्य—Cf. तद्द्वार्या...चभ्रामेत स्तनो जारं रुष्टं पृष्ठेऽधिरोप्य तम्। Kathās. X. 9. 28 प्रतीति—fame; for a different meaning, see p. 82, l. 11. अवन्तिराजम्—in the Kathās. the son of the merchant himself becomes the king, himself recognizes her, and punishes her. भूति—riches, wealth. चित्रवध—See *supra*, p. 59 l. 3. विकलीकृतोऽभिमतः—accepted or set down as maimed by me. पापमाचक्षीत—will accuse me of the crime. असीनम्—boldly. दर्शितेऽमुष्मिन्तः—is not so idiomatic as दर्शितः स विकलः. आर्यचुद्धिः—having noble thoughts, noble-minded. श्वभ्यः पान्त्रिका—a cook for dogs; i.e. degraded her.

P. 159. अनुयुक्तः—questioned. द्रविडेषु—Dravida lay to the south of the wild tract between the Kṛishṇā and the Polar. In its wider sense it included the whole of the Coromandel coast to the south of the Godāvari. In its stricter sense it must not have extended beyond the Kāveri. Its capital was

Kāññhi, the same as Conjeeveram, situated on the Vegavati river, 42 miles south-west of Madras. अननुगुण—*lit.* having no corresponding merits, unworthy. बाहुच्छिकी संपत्ति—the wealth of virtues, excellence, accidentally found (*i.e.* which may or may not be found). अनभिसमक्षि—without approving of, disregarding. कार्त्तान्तिको नाम भूत्वा—assuming the character of an astrologer; feigning to be a fortune-teller. लक्षणवती—endowed with auspicious marks. स्वर्ग—of his own class. गुणवत्—excellent, well-prepared. सिद्धिषु—The region on the southern bank of the Kāveri; see *com.* It has nothing to do with the country of S'ibi, the famous king of that name, situated near Gāndhāra in the north. सह पिदम्बा—She had lost her parents as well as her great fortune. भवनसार—the valuables in the house. संसक्त—riveted. विकट—deformed; hideous; from वि + कट (च). मृजावन्तः—possessed of purity, *i.e.* fair-complexioned, clean-skinned. रक्त०—This is an auspicious sign indicative of great good fortune; see the quotation from Brihatsam. 70, given on the next page. बब—a linear mark on the fingers of the hand resembling a barley-corn and indicating, according to its position, wealth, progeny, good fortune &c. सम—even, fleshy, covered with flesh. अक्षिरालौ—prominent veins are supposed to be a mark of ugliness. अनुपूर्ववृत्त—tapering. *Cf.* वृत्तादूर्वे च न चातिर्वीर्यं जह्ने &c. Kum. I. 35. बुरुपलभ्ये—Because they came in close contact with the plump thighs. सकृद्विभक्तः—evenly divided. चतुरस्र—symmetrical; mark the comp.; चतस्रः अक्षयो यस्य. The final इ is replaced by अ by the rule सुप्रात...चतुरस्र &c. Pāṇ. V. 4. 120. *Cf.* बभूव तस्याश्चतुरस्रोभि वपुर्विभक्तं नवयौवनेन। Kum. I. 32.

P. 160. ककुब्धर—the cavities of the loins. रथाङ्गाकार—of the form of a wheel; *cf.* रथाङ्गश्रोणिबिम्बया Vik. IV. 18. ईषमिन्न—A little depressed. वलित्रयेण—the वलित्रय is generally described in connexion with beautiful ladies; *cf. supra*, p. 44, l. 9. शरोभागश्चापिनौ—large enough to cover the whole bosom. विशालारम्भ—their great expanse. स्निग्ध—glossy. उदग्र—prominent. नखमणि—jewel-like, red nails. संनत—well-turned. कम्बु &c.—कम्बुवद्धता बन्धुरा (curved) च. वृत्त—pouting. असंक्षिप्त—not contracted or small (with the chin, elegant and not small). असंगत—not joined. अनुवक्र—beautifully curved. अनतिप्रौढ—not much developed (*i.e.* the bud of the *tila* flower). असित—dark. मधुराधीरसंचार—beautifully and swiftly rolling. मन्दर—dull; or, large इन्दुसकल—*i.e.*

the half-moon on the eighth day of a *pakṣa*; cf. अहर्माचन्द्र-
शकलाकारं ललाटेदेशम् &c. Kād. p. 31. अवलपाशः—beautiful
ears; here पाश signifies beauty or admiration; see
supra, p. 97 l. 9. अनतिभङ्गुर—*not much curling*. एकेकमिसर्गसम—
each growing by itself and evenly (*i. e.* there was
no branching of the hair). सेवमाकृतिः &c.—Her character
must be in keeping with the grace or outward beauty of
her form. Cf. न हाकतिः सुसदृशं विजहाति वृक्षम्। Mṛich. IX. 16;
न तादृशा आकृतिविशेषा गुणविरोधिना भवन्ति। Śāk. IV. p. 86;
यत्राकृतिस्तत्र गुणा वसन्ति। Varāh. Brihatsam. 70. 23; यत्राकारस्ततो
गुणाः। Agnip. 244. 6; आकृतिमनुगृह्णन्ति गुणाः Viddhaśālabh.

P. 161. अविबुद्धं—*acting thoughtlessly or precipitately*.
cf. विवेकभ्रष्टानां भवति विनिपातः शतमुखः Bh. Nīt. 10;
and अतिरमसकृतानां कर्मणामाविपत्तेर्मवति हृदयवाही शतयत्तुषो विपाकः।
Nīt. 105. अनुशयः—*repentance, regret* साकृद्—*meaningly*,
inquiringly. अलिङ्ग—*a dais or raised place near a door*.
पादक्षीच—*water for the feet*. गन्धशाला—*गन्धविशिष्टा शालयः*;
fragrant rice. संक्षुब्ध—*having gently or carefully pounded*.
माचया—*a little*. स्थिर—*firm*. नाली—*a kind of pestle*.
अलण्डैः—*not bruised or broken*. अर्थिनः—*stand in need*
of. सुजा—*cleaning, polishing*. चराद—*an earthen platter*.
हस्तान—*expanded or spread out*. ककुभोलूल—*a mortar*
of the Arjuna tree. ममचस्तानवेन—*Because a pestle is usually*
grasped by the middle, which part is therefore worn out.
तानव—*slenderness*.

P. 162. चतुरललि—*raising it up gracefully and cleverly*
&c. शूर्पक्षोभित &c.—*she removed the grains of dust and*
the awn by winnowing them with a basket. कथितपञ्चगुणे
—*heated to the boiling point and five times in quantity*.
दत्तचुल्लीपूजा—*a custom still observed in many places*.
The cooking woman throws a few grains into the fire before
pouring the rice into the boiling water or placing the
vessel containing rice on the hearth. "So Jewish bakers
put a little of the dough into the oven." Prof. Peterson.
मुकुलावस्था &c.—*When the rice was passing the state of a*
bud, i. e. was moderately swollen. अन्नमण्ड—*the scum*. दक्षी—
a ladle. अवचट्टय—*having struck*. परिवर्त्य—*having turned them*
up and down. आमलक—*myrobalans*. चिञ्ज—*tamarind*. उपदंस—
condiments. दन्ताकारधूप—*having scented it with perfume*
evaporated on the charcoals. तृणम्—*finely pulverized*
तेलामलकः—*Rubbing the body with oil and powdered*

myrobalans gives a glossy appearance to the skin. विभागः—the third part from the upper end of which was out off; तृतीयो भागः विभागः शेषः तत्र दूतस्य. अभिसृजन्—touching. पेया—water-gruel mixed with some boiled rice; see Vāgbhaṭa quoted in the Com. माह्विज्जं—his whole body sweating. सर्पिर्मात्रा—a little ghee. सूप—sauce.

P. 163. विजातक—cinnamon oil; or rather, dry ginger, black pepper and long pepper. कालसेद—curds churned with a handle without water. अन्धस्—food भृक्कार—a kind of jug or vase (झारी in Marathi). अगुरु—agallochum. ग्रथितसौरभं—whose fragrance was mixed with. हिमसिद्धिर—cool like snow. The śl. कान्तकान्त etc. quoted in the com. from the Śiṣupālavadhā (X. 3) is meant simply to illustrate how one drink can gratify all the organs of senses. It is the wine that gratifies all the sense there, while in our passage it is the cool fragrant water served out to the merchant that gratifies all his senses. The author himself describes how it did that. करालित—fringed with. कर्कश—rough or rugged. परिमल-प्रवाहोत्पीड—strong current or flow of the fragrance. परिमल-प्रवाल v. l.—परिमलस्य प्रवालाः offshoots of, i. e. the spreading fragrance. नाभुर्यमकर्षं—his tongue being quite gratified with the excessive sweetness. अचल—clear. करक—a small water-pot. आचमनं—Āchamana is the drinking of a little water taken into the hollowed palm of the hand, three times, as a religious rite. It is enjoined at the beginning and at the end of any religious rite; it is also necessary after a bath, drinking, sneezing, sleep, meals, walking through a street, and changing clothes; cf. Yāj. Sm. I. 196 quoted in the com., and Manu. V. 145—सुप्त्वा क्षुत्वा च भुक्त्वा च निष्ठीभ्योक्त्वाऽनुष्ठानं च । पीत्वाऽपोऽयेभ्यमाणश्च आचामेत्पयतोऽपि सन् ॥ कुट्टिम—a pavement. उत्तरीयकर्पट—his upper garment. एतद्वन-पेक्षः—regardless of her; growing cold towards her; (this he did, of course, in order to put her virtues to test; he did not really want to be attached to the harlot). अवरोचमकरोत्—introduced her into the harem. सामपि—The force of अपि is this—As a wife with any sense of self-respect, she should have resented this act of her husband and treated the courtesan with jealousy; but as a true *Pativrata* she felt it her duty to subordinate personal happiness to that of her husband (यत्नतरेव हितमिच्छति तत्फलत्र) and acted friendly towards her. This is also Kālidāsa's view of the duties of a co-wife; cf. प्रतिपक्षेणापि पतिं सेवन्ते मर्तुः-

वस्तुलाः माष्यः । *Mālav.* V. 19. अहीनं—with assiduous care; *lit.* without any omission (of duty). परिजनं च &c.—*Cf.* सुविष्टं भव दक्षिणा परिजने Śāk. IV. 18. दक्षिण्यनिधिः—explains how she won the affection of her servants. कुटुम्ब—i. e. domestic concerns. त्रिवर्गं—*vis.* *Dharma, Artha and Kāma*, for securing which a wife is to be married.

P. 164. सौराष्ट्र—also called *आनर्त*, is the modern peninsula of Kathiawar. The ancient *Dvārakā* was its original capital. Valabhi appears to be its next capital, the ruins of which were discovered at Bilbi, 10 miles north-west of Bhavanagar. According to the Bombay Gazetteer (as quoted by Mr. A'gāshe) it was a town in the east of Kathiawar about 25 miles west of Bhavanagar and about 25 miles north of Śātrughnījaya. The modern name of the town is Valeh. गुह्यश्रेष्ठ—Kubera. नाविकपति—a ship-owner. मथुरा—name of a town. It may probably be Mathurā, which was called मथुरी in ancient times, being the residence of the demon Madhu, whose son Lavaṇa was killed by Śātrughna; see *Ragh.* XV. 28, and our note *ad loc.* रजसविहित—obstructed through rashness. तद्गृहागमनं—तद् refers to her; i. e. her father's house. From this it seems that Balabhadra lived in the same town after his marriage with रत्नवती, instead of going to his native town. अनिवर्ती not listening to. दुर्भाग्या—unfortunate woman, one hated by her husband. See note on दौर्भाग्य below. निम्बवती—*Nimba* is a tree known for its bitterness; hence this means 'sour-tempered.' परिवभूव—insulted her by the nickname of. का मे गतिः—'what is to be my fate;' or, what course of life should I pursue? देवदोष—flowers previously offered to deities (who brought to her flowers from an idol). अनुनीद—addressing her words of consolation. दौर्भाग्यं—has a technical meaning here—the state of not being loved or favourably looked upon by the husband; opp. is सौभाग्य, for which see *supra*, note on सुमगमनी p. 92 तस्य—refers to दौर्भाग्य. सुदृष्ट—well or favourably seen by them, and my relatives (—said in contrast with अवज्ञया पश्यति in the last sentence); a favourite of my husband; *cf.* सुदृष्ट p. 150, l. 8. आ विरामात्—until I die. अभ्यास्यन्—should be disclosed. स्वस्तिदेशवर्तिनी—ready to act according to your advice. यदधिष्ठिता—led or guided by me. उदकं—result. आकार—such grace of form. ईदृशेन—such so amiable (a disposition).

P. 165. पतिद्रोह—hatred shown by a husband. पतिवेष्य—
a neighbour. राजान्तरङ्गभावेन—By his being in the confidence

of the king. रूपवयसा—in form and body. विमानहर्ष—विशेषेण मानस्यस्मिन्निति; fr. मा with वि and affix अन (ल्युट्); a mansion having seven stories; cf. नेत्रा नीताः सततगतिना यद्विमानाश्चामीः Megh. II. सन्मातृमार्थने—i. e. the entreaty of Kanakavati's mother. क्रीडामया नाम—as if blundering in my sport भ्रंशयेयम्—I shall drop down. अनवस्थः—of loose or irregular conduct, unsteady. विपक्षधन—the property of an enemy. बद्धाञ्जलि—adv. 'with folded hands.' सान्निध्यं—inspired with love for me. रुन्ध्र—an opening; a loop-hole; 'taking advantage of this circumstance.' The construction is तेन रुन्ध्रेण तद्गुपश्चिह्नोपेत्य...यथा असौ मामादाय &c. उरुवलीकृत्य—having fanned the fire of his love or inflamed his passion. नीरन्ध्र—thick, pitchy.

P. 166. वार्तामापाद्यत्—spread or circulated a report. मन्देन—a fool that I was, being a dunce. उपेक्षिता—neglected. अतिशयिताः—disregarded. संसृष्टः—united with, living in her company. स्पष्टिः—clearance of; i. e. the matter will be clear. पण्यदासी—a female slave she purchased. उपस्कर—provisions. मूल—capital; *lit.* the original sum. प्रसादकालोपाः—The reading in the foot-note is perhaps better, being simpler; in the reading as we have it, the word वृत्तान्त is without propriety. निर्विभेद—promulgated, disclosed दण्डवाहिन्—the mayor, the magistrate मोक्षेणापहृत्य—having kidnapped her न्यायोद्धा—law-fully married. प्रणिधि—an emissary. श्रेणीप्रातिभास्येन—by the security of the association of traders. प्रातिभास्य is an abstract noun from प्रतिभू 'a security.' भावयतः—who looked upon or believed

P. 167. शूरसेन—Name of the country about Mathurā. Kālidāsa has referred to this country in Ragh. VI. 45. कुलपुत्र—a youth of family; or Śūdra, as the Oom. takes it. स्वभुज-नात्रं—who had successfully fought many a duel with his own arms for the sake of his friends. निर्व्यूढ—successfully carried out; cf. निर्व्यूढदुर्वह (दुर्वह) प्रतिज्ञाभारस्य वृकोदरस्य Venī. VI. p. 139; निर्वहः प्रतिपन्नवस्तुषु सतामेतद्धि गोत्रव्रतम्। Bhar. Nīt. Misc. Ślokas, Śl. 13. कर्कश—hard-hearted, cruel men. पाण्डुरा—indicating uneasiness of mind, anxiety. अननिं—अनतिपरिभुक्ता अत एव सुभगा. प्रौढता—full growth; her eyes indicate her having passed the age of timidity and bashfulness. एकवेण्यादिः—It is usual with ladies whose husbands are absent not to dress or decorate their hair, &c.; see *supra*, note on एकवेण्याभूतेन p. 141. कश्चिन्नत्—It is difficult to know what लक्ष्म is meant here; according to the Bhūṣhaṇā it means 'a nail-mark;' it may also be the mark*

of a mole. *नामा—The *fem* is *नामा or नामी. उन्मनाबमानः—being greatly agitated at heart. परिवत्राज—went; परिव्रज् has not got its usual sense here. भागवि—a fortune-teller. भिक्षा-निवेन—under the pretext of begging alms.

P. 168. भगविका—A Buddhist or Jain female mendicant. A female follower of Śramaṇa or Jina; see Vaijayanti as quoted in the com. on निर्धन्विक p. 87. It is strange that these nuns should be found employed in the settlement of love-matters. शीलभ्रंश—her falling off, or deviation from, virtuous conduct. उपह्वरे—in secret; or, in a private place. समाधिमास्थाय—having recourse to contemplation or penance; the phrase occurs in Kum. V. 2. घटते—endeavours. क घटते—how can it stand to reason? उदारा—excessive. अबुद्धभावता—inviolable chastity, incorruptibility of character. अशक्तिकृत्य—unless the evil influence exerted by it is counteracted; unless the obstacle interposed by it is removed. छन्नं—secretly. प्रणयकुपिता &c.—pretending to be lovingly angry. उपरि—after this is done; in this sense it occurs in Marathi as उपर. ऊर्जित—noble, strong and good-looking. तावत्तव—by doing me that much service. सा तथैव &c.—consenting to do so, she favoured him accordingly. निर्धन्विका—a female mendicant. See *supra*, note on निर्धन्विक at p. 87.

P. 169. परासृष्टाजिव—pretending to rub it gently. आलस्य—having made a scratch or cut. सान्द्रनासा—in great dismay. दुर्नय—folly, ill-advised step. दृष्ट्वा पटवन्धनं—having put on a bandage or ligature. सामयापदेशात्—pretending to be ill. अज्ञवाचं—when he refused to tell. निर्वन्धेन—pressingly, imperatively. वणिग्गण—The merchant-guild, the committee of merchants. विश्रामप्रविष्टायां—as I entered for the purpose of repose. अयापि—goes with न इष्टः. लुब्धाः—misers, covetous people who do not want to pay the fees. दग्धादग्ध—partially burnt. गृहच्छब्दा—accidentally. विमर्शो—after deliberation, when the matter was thought over.

P. 170. शाकिनी—A witch, a female seeking the favour of devils. तस्याः शाकिनीत्वम्—This device of proving Nitambavati a Śākinī and getting her expelled from her house, used here by the young merchant to gain his object, seems to have been taken from the Vetālapañcaviṃśikā, occurring in the Bṛihatkaṭhā. Therein one Buddhīśarīra, the minister and companion of Prince Vajramukha, adopts this kind of device to secure to his friend Padmavati, a damsel of

that name. See Kattās. Lambaka XII., Taraṅga 8; cf. तदागमन-
हृष्टोऽथ मन्त्रिपुत्रो नृपात्मजश्च । जगाद् हन्त मच्छाय पञ्चावस्था ग्रहं निशि ॥
ततस्तस्याः सनिद्रायाः शूलेनाङ्गं कटीतटे । द्वाऽग्निमेनादाय तदाभरण-
संचयम् ॥ प्रातर्गत्वा श्मशानं च सोऽभूत्तापसवेचभृत् । स्वैरं राजसुतं तं च विदध
शुद्धस्वपिणम् ॥ अत्रवीचं च गच्छेकमितोऽलंकरणादिमाह । मुक्तावलीं समादाय
नैविकेतुमिवापणे ॥ * श्रुत्वेतद्विजनं कृत्वा स धूर्तस्तममावत । अहं तपस्वी
भ्राम्यामि सदाऽरण्येष्वितस्ततः ॥ सोऽहं देवादिह प्राप्तः श्मशानेऽत्र स्थितो निशि ।
अपश्यं योगिनीचक्रं समागतमिनस्ततः ॥ तन्मध्यं चेकयाऽऽनीय योगिन्या राज-
पुत्रकः । उद्घाटितहृदम्भोजो भरवाय निवेदितः ॥ अतिप्रवृत्ता च मया कुट्टेन
जघनस्थले । अङ्किता सा त्रिशूलेन मन्त्रपञ्चालिताश्रिणा ॥ हुता मुक्तावली चेयं
तस्याः कण्ठान्मया तदा । सेवाय तापसानर्हा विकेया मम वर्तने ॥ प्रतः सुतो मे
वाकिन्या तथेशुपन्ननिश्चयः । पितृभ्यां शौच्यमानायाः पुराजिवांसनं व्यधात् ॥
स्वभावर्जने—to win your affection. असाधारणीकृत्य—38 an extra-
ordinary (and therefore never-failing) remedy. अकामा—
i. e. against her will नैर्कन—a Rākshasa. मरसंचन्धी—my friend.
समसृज्यत—joined in a duel. अनपेक्षापविद्धा—cast down with-
out any regard for her safety. शैलशृङ्गभङ्ग—pieces of the peaks
of mountains. भक्षय्येतां—dispatched, destroyed.

P. 171. मरमाणैकवल्लभा—The darling of my heart. तिर्यङ्-
squintingly, obliquely. कामरूप—assuming any form at will.
स्फुरन्ती—trembling or struggling for release. अवरुदाः—
landed. निष्कल—discomfited, dejected and pale. निष्कलङ्क—
free from the contamination of sin. प्राणवत्—goes with चन्द्रो,
who was regarded by him as his very life. अवसरेषु—as at the
time when he helped the Yavanas against Rhiṁadhanvan.
स्मितमभिषिक्त—bathed or steeped in smile.

P. 172. ललितवल्लभा—In the following chapter the poet
has accomplished a literary *tour de force* by making Mantragupta
tell his tale without the use of any of the labial letters
(including the vowels उ and ऊ). The author here poetically
accounts for his hero's inability to use the labial letters.
Such literary feats are not rare in Sanskrit literature. Śri
rāma's Kamsanidhāna is a longer instance of this kind of feat

कलिङ्गः—The country lay to the south of Odra or Orissa
and extended to the mouth of the Godāvari. It is
identified with the Northern Oircars. संस्थितजनं—the
ground for burning the dead, a cemetery. धरणिज—a tree.
Mark how the author is forced to go in search of such
words as संस्थित, धरणिज, &c. for the ordinary words मृत, वृक्ष or
पादप, owing to his self-imposed restriction of avoiding all
labials. सरसकिसलय—tender (lit. juicy) leaves. कालरात्रौ &c.—

The night is compared to a lady, and the mass of darkness to the locks of her hair. चलिस्तरससि—Because it is the fit time for goblins and *rākshasas* for stalking abroad. नीहार—dew. निशीथ—midnight. साल—a tree. निह्वादि—qualifies. रटितं further on; ‘sounding through the branches of the thickly-growing trees.’ If the reading be निह्वादिनि, it must be taken as an *adj.* qualifying निशीथे. नेत्रनिसिनी etc.—keeping off (preventing) the sleep that was kissing my eyes. अनेन दम्भ—this accursed magician. रिंसल—noun in आ from the Desid. base of रम्. रिंसल—pre. p. of the Desid. of दा. रामेव &c.—overpowered by unbounded passion. खिलीकृतः—*Lit.* nailed down to one spot, made unable to carry out one’s object; hence, prevented from enjoying pleasure. अणकनरेन्द्रः—कुत्सितो नरेन्द्रः अणकः; a cursed practiser of charms, a wicked magician; mark the meaning of अणक. See Pāṇ. II. 1. 54 quoted in the com. सिद्धचन्तरायः—an obstacle in his attainment of the desired superhuman powers.

P. 173. सरलतर—very bright (polished). निह्वाङ्गाररजः—the dust of charcoal reduced to ashes by complete combustion. तडिलताकारं—bright and tawny like the flashes of lightning. अरण्यचक्र—the circuit or expanse of the forest. चञ्चल—waving, flickering. सिद्धार्थक—white mustard seeds. See *supra*, p. 118, note on गौरतर्प. चटचटावित—crackling; *lit.*, ‘which made a *chaṭ chaṭ* sound;’ p. p. of the verb चटचटावते formed by affixing च (चप्) to the onomatopoeitic word चटचट; see Pāṇ. III. 1. 13. निकृताशय—debased in mind. अलज्जर्जर—broken or choked with tears. रणरविकागृहीतेन—overpowered by anxiety. ग्लान—withered. क्षीर्णहने—the tie of which was broken. शिलाशितेन—whetted on a stone’s slab; शितेन—‘white like’—is not a good reading; it will also not do to take it as शिलावृत्तितेन, as the idea of brightness will be left out. चिकर्तिष्या—with an intention to cut off.

P. 174. इन्द्रधरम्भ—a hollow in the trunk. Cf. the similar scene in Māl.-Mādh. V., where Aghoraghaṇṭa tries to kill Mālati while Mādhava rescues her. निश्चार—having watched or observed. क्षीणाधिः—freed from his mental worry or anxiety. कर्षण—torture, teasing. अकृत्य—improper acts, abominable deeds; see com. नरकाकः—wretched or cursed man. कारणा—agony; this word has occurred before; see p. 92, l. 5. इतितर—From इतितर hot and क्षीयति rays; the hot-rayed one, the sun;—येह्यः is Yama,

son of the sun, and god of death. See com. अणीवस्—trifling. He is underrating his own act. न चेदिहं ने०—If it is not that you do not approve of this ; if you have no objection to do so. अङ्गेसार्हा—who ill deserves harsh treatment; who ought to be gently treated. कर्णशेखर—the tip of the ear. The eye looked like a blue lotus placed on the tip of her ear; for she was आयतेक्षणा. अञ्चित—gracefully bent. सलिलचर—A device to avoid the use of मीन or मकर, which contains a labial letter. आनत—curved. चिल्लिकालता—her long and bushy eye-brows. The word चि० or चुल्लिका which can somehow be made to have the meaning of ‘an eyebrow’ (fr. चिल् or चुल् I. P. to make amorous gestures) is purposely used for धृ to get rid of a labial letter. लीला-लसं—gently through sportiveness. रागलज्जा०—acting under the influence of love and bashfulness.

P. 175. तिरश्चिनि &c.—with the moon-shine of her nails spreading slantingly. साचीकृत—turned aside. साचि is a prep meaning ‘sidelong,’ ‘aside.’ साची...सरसिजं—adv.; cf. Ragh. VI. 14; Mālav. IV. 15. लिखन्ती—drawing figures on. लक्ष्मिना—passing across. हृदयलक्ष्य—the target of the heart. रति सहचर—a periphrasis for *Madana*, which cannot be used स्वदाक्षितेन—(going) with the swiftness of. स्वदाक्षित is the p.p.p. of the denom. verb स्वदायते fr. स्वद् speed, a word irregularly formed from स्वन्द; see Pāṇ. VI. 4. 28, quoted in the com.; स्वन्देर्वाचि नलोपी हृदयभाषश्च निपादयते । स्वदो वेगः । अन्यत्र स्वन्दः । Sid.-Kau. The Com. seems to have read दक्षिण for दक्ष which makes no sense. Dissolve—हृदयमेव लक्ष्यं तस्य दलने दक्षः रतिसहचरशरस्तस्य स्वदस्तद्वशचरतीति तेन । सहचरस्य दयितेन c. l.—beloved of, i. e. friend of, *Madana*. रागानिल०—with the waves of the heart’s yearnings set in motion by the wind of passion. कन्धागारा०—your taking a residence in the secret apartment. देहज—stands for मनसिज i. e. *Madana*. कालावस-निगड—iron fetters. रथचरण—a wheel.

P. 176. नयेत अर्कीत० दगां—i. e. will kill me. निक्लेतनं—Throughout this section the final स् is printed in the form of an Anusvāra, as the author has taken care to avoid its labial sound by beginning the following sentence with a letter other than a labial, as then the स् is to be pronounced like the nasal of the class to which that following letter belongs. चन्द्रशाला—a room on the top of a mansion. करतला०—by gently shaking them with the palm of the hand. निजशेखर०—alligine

to the tips of the filaments of the flowers forming the garlands worn on their heads. संघटित—confounded with, mixed. ततः कृतान्तेन &c.—and so she escaped death. इत्था चेवं &c.—*Cf. supra* p. 119, प्रागपि रागाग्निस्तक्षिकं &c. आश्चर्यरत्न—the gem in the form of this wonderful beauty. रत्नचेल—The mountain Meru. स्थिर—firm. रागतरल—(1) sparkling with its colour (lustre); (2) agitated by passion. ज्ञेहनिगल—the chains of love; ल is often substituted for ह in Sanskrit. जावारहित—those separated from their wives. *Cf. वियोगिहृदयस्थं मन्मथानल-मुज्ज्वलयन् supra* p. 42. लालस—eager to drink the honey. लङ्घन—close contact. ग्लान—withered, faded. वन—thickly grown.

P. 177. राजत्—shining, gay in summer. लीलाविततिलक—making the *tilaka* flowers serve as sportive marks on the forehead of the forest-sites smiling with flowers. निर्निद्र &c.—the gold-coloured umbrella in the form of the full-blown *Karpikāra* flower. दक्षिण—stands for the southern (Malaya) breeze. सहकार—सहकरेषु चञ्चरीकाः bees कलिकाश्च. कालाण्डज—the cuckoo bird. रक्तरक्ताधरा—रक्ताः stirred up with passion, amorous रक्ताधराः beautiful ladies. संनाह—preparation for; ०शालिनि—standing out as the first preparer for the battle of sport. लङ्घितलङ्घने—in which the modesty of bashful maidens was overcome by the love which then took possession of their heart. हर्दुर—name of a mountain in the south, connected with Malaya. It is that portion of the Ghāts which forms the southern boundary of Mysore. (*Cf. Ragh. IV. 51 (शैलौ मलयदर्दुरौ)*). The commentator, not remembering this, has given a fanciful explanation. अनिलाचार्य—अनिल एवाचार्यः the dancing-master. The wind is often referred to by Sanskrit poets as giving instructions in dancing. अलङ्घनीय—impervious to sun-light. लङ्घित—leapt over, seated upon. भालीह—touched. तरलतरङ्ग—the heaving waves. क्रीडारस &c.—was deeply engaged in sport. संगत—engaged in. शृङ्गारदेहा—amorous sports. अनङ्गसंचर्ष—emulation in love-matters. एकतन्त्र—solely under the power of his passion for pleasures. तत्र रन्त्रे—taking advantage of that weak point. आन्ध्र—Name of a country, the same as modern Tailangana. The mouths of the Godāvarī were in the possession of the A'ndhras.

P. 178. गलित—faded, vanished. गावकान्ति—the youthful bloom of (the body). निरस्तचैव—*scil.*, by the charms of the princess. गररस—a poisonous potion or drink. संतिष्ठेत्—will

die. अग्रज—Kāma. सा का &c.—What will be my future state? How shall I fare? अग्रज—a Brāhmaṇa. किल—As the report goes. निकार—insult, humiliation, offence. वृत्तसंचय—having provocation given to him. दग्ध—enkindled, generated. नरेन्द्रसार्थ—a number of magicians. सविराकरिष्यन्—wishing to expel that. शंकरवृत्तदेश—the place where Śaṅkara dances, i. e. a cemetery. जरस्साल—i. e. an old *sarja* tree. कन्याचीरसंचय—a collection of rags and patched garments. अतिसंहित—deceived. आकृष्ट—obtained. चेल—a garment. सलिलराशि—the sea. किञ्चक—variegated with bits of filaments. शेकरस्य—decked with the lines of.

P. 179. अभिसंधानदक्ष—clever in deceiving or taking advantage of the credulity of. सरस्व—*with* their mystical teachings. सषडङ्गानि—for the six *āṅgas* see *supra*, note on षडङ्ग p. 21; it will be seen from that passage that the Kumāras had learnt the Vedas with their *āṅgas*. एतत्संग्रहेण—by his espousal or adoption of. आतङ्क—disease, affliction. शिरःकैर्निःकलङ्क—whose heads are washed with, i. e. hallowed by. चमन—mystical or astronomical diagrams used as amulets. महाः—evil spirits supposed to seize upon children &c. कनकलेखाधिपान—कनकलेखा अधिष्ठानं यस्य. धनवाताकर—a Yaksha. क्षयिवस्य—i. e. of Jaya:imha. अभिगमनमयः—finding an opportunity or time of leisure. संगृह्यन्—securing in his interest, winning over to his side. चानधीरः—patiently remaining in abstract meditation. स्थानदर्शिन—showing my knowledge of (*lit.* possession of) occult things at the proper time. निष्पाट्य—having found out or ascertained (what was in his mind).

P. 180. लक्षणेकराशेः—The asylum of all auspicious marks रक्षणा—waist-zone. राजित—decorated. लीलाञ्जन—*with* her dark lotus-like eyes sportively bent, or graceful with their sportive movements. दर्शन is used for नेत्र for alliteration with दर्शन. सहते—allows, bears. सद्यता—wait for; for this sense cf. दिवाव्यह्नावहंसि सोढुमईन् Ragh. V. 25. निर्निशाकराशिवि—void of moon-light, i. e. on a dark night; or, when the moon-light had passed away. नीरन्त्र—not broken through, i. e. dense or thick. निगीर्ण—swallowed up, shrouded in. निर्गाडत—sealed. जलमल—*to* be entered by diving under the surface of water. नीरन्त्र—having no opening towards water. छिद्राकृतान्तराल—excavated from within. एकतः—in one part (as the Bhāṣya has it). The sense of 'near' or 'close to' assigned to एकतः by the commentator is far-fetched. Besides, if सरसं be taken as govern-

by एकतः, no object is left to अकार्षम्. तीर्थसंनिवृत्तं—close to the landing-stairs. घन—compactly arranged. छन्नच्छिद्रावनं—with the opening of the cavity (or the pit he dug out reaching the bottom of the lake) covered with. निर्जित—well washed; *p. p.* of निज् with निर् 3 P. A'. संतान— a belt or multitude of stars. भ्रमयति—*i. e.* the biggem in the middle. The belt of stars is here compared to a necklace of pearls, and the sun to its central gem. सतान-
हारहारो *v. l.*—seems to be better; 'fastened at the end of the necklace in the form of the streaming morning light eclipsing the stars.' भवता—*Lit.* 'the giver of rest;' hence, night. गन्धर्वस्तिन्—गन्धर्वधानो हस्तो an elephant of the best class, the strong smell of whose ichor is unbearable to other elephants and makes them turn tail at his sight. See com *Cf.* Ragh V. 47, VI. 7. कनकगैल—The mountain Meru. The peak of the mountain Meru is compared to a stage and the rising sun to an actor exhibiting the play of light (the gleaming solar rays being reflected back from the gems on the mountain).

P. 181. घनतरङ्ग—The clouds are the rolling waves in the ocean of the sky. कार्याकार्ष—The sun is one of those who keep watch over a man's actions. *Cf.* आदित्यचन्द्रावनिर्लोऽनलश्च &c. सहस्राक्षदिक—the east. रागायित—serving as a red dye or paint; *p. p. p.* of the denom. from रग. गैरिक्तत— the skirt covered with red chalk; गिरौ भवः गैरिक्तः, *fr.* गिरि+इक् (ठन्). साधारणच्छाय—with its appearance like, *i. e.* appearing like. कर्ष्यन्त्या—with a desire to harass or torment. अन्तरिक्षाख्येन—आकाश or the sky is considered as one of the eight forms of Śiva; *cf.* श्रुतिविषयगुणा या &c. Śāk. I. 1. संध्याकृतायाः—Here संध्या is represented as a rival wife. Pārvatī would be pained to see the body of her lord in another form half-shared by another woman, as indicated by एकस्तन. दिनाधिनये—*i. e.* when it was about sunset जनस्यास्य—is used to avoid the use of माम्. धरिण्यस्त—*i. e.* he bowed to his very feet आदिष्ट— he was addressed by me निर्दिष्ट—unambitious, not aspiring. *Cf.* साहसे श्रीः प्रतिवसति; उद्योगिनं पुरुषसिंहमुपेति लक्ष्मीः; and निवसन्ति पराक्रमाभ्या न विषादेन सयं समुद्धवः। Kir. II. 15. अनाकलित—free from. अर्चितेन—held in high esteem, honoured. अस्यादरनिश्चितेन—filled with great respect, qualifies जनेन. सप्तगती— the vital airs, *i. e.* प्राण and others. This is used to avoid the word प्राण. स्थलित—'rolled back from;' to be construed with जन. स्थगित—covered.

As the water rolled over the lotus-plants, it shook their stalks, and frightened the swans as their bodies were pricked by the points of their thorns. Dissolve—
तदास्त्रालितं यज्जलं तेन स्थगितं यज्जलजस्त्रणं तस्य चलितदण्डानां ये
कण्डकास्तेषामपैर्दिलिता देहा येषां ते; now see Bhāṣyaṇḍ quoted
in the com. नासजर्जर—broken through fear.

P. 182. निचाट्य—having definitely known or observed; *cf.*
supra, p. 179. स्थिरतरं—firmly fixed or fastened by the chains
of deep love. असहनीय &c.—She will not brook any delay
in obtaining your sight, i. e. she will be longing for your
company. नास्यादरं—without much concern, easily. धीर—
cultured, developed. आकलन्य—having considered the
matter. जालिकघातं च &c.—This precaution was necessary
to see that there were no crocodiles &c. there; *cf.* Ragh.
आनायिभिस्तां (=सद्यः) अपकृष्टनक्रां XVI. 55. भन्तरङ्गनर—people in
whom you can confide. त्रिसहस्रं—for a space of thirty
days (a measure of length equal to 4 *hastas*, or, according
to the Com., 16 *hastas*). रन्ध्रदर्शनासहेः—who could not see
any mischief in it. तथास्थितः &c.—being ready to carry
out my instructions and firmly resolved to secure the maiden.
जनाम्त—region, a secluded place. अनाचर्य—without having
accomplished. ययार्ह—*as may be agreeable to you.*

P. 183. धरणीतलवैविलगण—The gods on earth, i. e. the
Brāhmaṇas. वतिका—a wick, a piece of cloth wrapped
round the end of a stick (and used as a torch). घस्त—
swallowed up, dispelled. निःसंगता—indifference, the state
of not being attached to the world. निरागस—innocent.
जालिक—fishermen, men with nets. संहतकर्णनासं—with the
holes of his ears and nostrils stopped. हास्तिनं—the depth
of which was an elephant's stature. The constr. is हास्तिनं
सरस्तलं गतं तं नक्रलीला नीरातिनिलीनयायी अहं &c. Some read गतः
for गतं; in this case the sentence will close at हास्तिनं; 'he
dived into the water and reached the bottom of the lake
the depth of which was an elephant's height.' नक्रलीलया—
with the ease (and caution) of a crocodile. अतिनिलीनं—
&c.—moving forth, having dived deep into water, कालदण्ड-
घट्टनां—tremendous (killing) like the strokes of the
rod of Yama. निर्दहन्निग्रहः—mercilessly pommelled. This
incident of the story, *viz.* the supposed transformation of
the person of the king into a superior form, is a repetition
of Upahāryarman's personating himself as Vikatavarman

after he had murdered him in his narration of his account. Perhaps in writing out this part of the story Dandin got his inspiration from the story of Tarunachandra, a physician, related in the *Bṛhatkathā*. The physician, having promised to cure विनयशील, king of Vilāsapura, of the deformity brought on by old age, in eight months, asked him to dwell in an underground cellar. But, as the king under his treatment instead of becoming young wasted away, the physician secretly murdered him, threw his body into a well with its mouth closed, and having introduced a young man of similar features into the cave, kept him there for some days. He afterwards brought him out and presented him before the subjects as the king brought back to youth again by his medication. Cf. अमृच्छीकण्ठ-
निलये विलासपुरनामनि । पुरे विनयशालारुखो नाम्नाऽन्वयेन भूपतिः ॥.....
इत्यादि चिन्तयन्सोऽथ सदस्याहूय भूपतिः । वैद्यं तरुणचन्द्रारुखं निजगाद
कृतादरः ॥ अप्यस्ति काचियुक्तिः सा ययेयं वार्यते जरा ।.....एकस्त्वं भूयहे मासा-
नष्टो यदिदमौषधम् । उपयुङ्क्षी ततो देव जरामपनयामि ते ॥.....आजहार
कमप्येकं पुरुषं ताकुशाकृतिम् । राजानं त्वां करोमीति युवानं कृतसंविदम् ॥ ततः
सुरङ्गा भूगेहे दूराद्वत्साऽथ तं नृपम् । सुप्तं हत्वा तथा नीत्वा सोऽन्धकूपेऽक्षिपन्निशि ॥
तथैव पुरुषं तं च तरुणं तत्र भूयहे । पश्येय स्थापयामास सुरङ्गां पितृधे च ताम् ॥
ततः स सर्वाः प्रकृतीर्विद्योऽन्येयुरभाषत । अजरोऽयं कृतस्तावत्प्रज्जिर्मासेमथा
नृपः ॥ &c. Kathās. VII. 6. 60-64.

P. 184. अस्यचिन्त्रीयत्—seemed a great wonder. See *supra*, note on चिन्त्रीया p. 151. चण्डतरङ्गिणः—the very fierce staff-bearers. रसनयनं—with my eyes stripped of the pleasure of sleep owing to the joy (रसे आनन्दजनितभावविशेषः) I felt then. नयन—getting; stands for प्राप्ति, which could not be used. नयनरसं v. 1.—in this case the comp. becomes clumsy; we have to take it as नयनाभ्यां रसेन निरस्ता &c. दिग्गजशिरः—the frontal globe &c. ययासदृशां—who waited upon me with the proper formalities. अजेय—not to be controlled or overpowered by (to be construed with इन्द्रियाणां). नीरजसा—free from all foulness. सरसिज &c.—सरसिजदलेन सदृशी ऽदलसंनिकाशा छाया यस्य; the complexion of which resembles that of lotus-petals. नि-or नी-काश expresses resemblance when at the end of a comp.; see Amara. II. 10. 38. नरकशासन—the killer of Naraka (a demon, king of Prāgyotisha), Kṛishṇa; hence, Viṣṇu. सरसिजासनां—This shows that Brahmā-worship was in vogue in Dandin's time. क्लेश-निरसन—sufficient to dissipate their troubles. सातिशब्दं—with supreme power. आदिराज—may be Manu; see, however, note on the same at p. 146, last line.

P. 185. हर्षकाष्ठर—The highest pitch of joy. लासयन्ती—causing to dance or glitter. ललिताञ्जित—gracefully bent. वन्तच्छदकिसलय—her sprout-like (red and tender) lip. हर्षमल—Her eyes, void of collyrium, were filled with the moisture of the tears of joy. जालं—a trick meant to entrap. स्नेहनिर्वन्त्रणं—freely through affection. सहचर्याः—his beloved Kanakalekhā. निरर्गलीकृता—निर्गता अर्गला यस्य तथा कृतः (set at liberty) च अतिसंस्कृतश्च &c.

P. 186. अतिकष्टं तपः—This is said to please him. गता सत्त्वयोः—ingenuity, and courage or mental calibre.

स्त्रिदयम्—suffering from. क्लिष्ट—in distress. उदञ्चम्—drawing up. निष्कल—an old man; this word has occurred before on p. 171. वंशनाली—drawn up in the hollow piece of a long bamboo. पाषाण—knocked down with stones.

P. 187. विदर्भो नाम &c.—The great kingdom of Vidarbha extended from the banks of the Kṛishṇā to near the banks of the Narmadā. On account of its great size it was also called Mahārāshṭra. Its capital, Kuṇḍinapura, is probably the modern Beder. According to the Nalachampū, Kuṇḍinapura was situated on the river Varadā (=Wardhā). The famous race of the Bhojas was a branch of the Yādavas. अंशावतारः—A righteous king is often described as a partial manifestation of Dharma; cf. अपवर्गमहोदयार्थयोर्धुवमंशाविधौ धर्मयोगतौ । Ragh. VIII. 16. अतिसत्त्व—of extraordinary prowess or courage. Mark the author's command of language, in how many ways he expresses the same idea. उद्भूत—distinguished or ennobled by. उत्थानशील—ambitious of greatness. शास्त्र-प्रमाणः—following the authority of, guided by, the s'āstras; defender of the faith. शक्यभक्ष्य—an undertaker of things possible to accomplish, of public utility and beneficial in the end. See com. Daṇḍin seems to have taken this phraseology from Kauṭīlīya, as remarked by Mr. Agashe; cf. शक्यकल्यमभ्यारम्भस्थिरकर्मानुरक्तप्रकृतिभ्यो विशेषः । शक्यारम्भी विषहो कर्मारभेत । कल्यारम्भी निर्दोषम् । अभ्यारम्भी कल्याणोदयम् । Kau. Nīṭ. Adhi. VII., Ch. 8, 114, 115. प्रभावयिता—who advanced or promoted. उद्भावयिता—raising to dignity. अविद्वन्—never apathetic, ever eager for. नदीण—proficient in. नेद्विष्ठ—lit. nearest to; hence, conversant or well acquainted with. धर्मार्थसंहिता—sacred lore and political science. सुकृत—favour obligation. पश्यवेक्षित—A superintendent of, who himself care-

fully looked after. सर्वाङ्गक्ष—superintendents of different departments. कृतकर्तव्यः—those rendering signal services. *Cf* क्रियापर्वण्यनुजीविसात्कृताः कृतज्ञतामस्य वदन्ति संपदः । Kir. I. 14.

P. 188. दैवमानुषीयामाः—The calamities coming from deities are such as fire, water, disease, famine, death, &c.; and from men are such as (corrupt) royal officers, thieves, enemies, favourites of the king, and the greed of the king himself. द्रुताशनो जलं व्याधिर्बुभिर्भं मरणं तथा । इति पञ्चविधं दैवं व्यसनं मानुषं ततः ॥ आयुक्ककेभ्यश्चौरैभ्यः परेभ्यो राजवृद्धमात् । पृथिवीपतिलोभाच्च नराणां पञ्चधा मतम् (i. e. मयम्) ॥ Kām. N. XIII. 20; V. 82. See Ragh. I. 60. षाट्पुण्य—The six expedients to be employed in foreign politics; these are (see com.) —(1) संधि or peace or alliance; (2) विग्रह or making of war (when other remedies fail); (3) यान or marching against the enemy when one is in a position to do so and one's own kingdom is well protected; (4) आसन or halting (waiting for opportunity &c.); (5) द्वैध or द्वैधीभाव duplicity, sowing seeds of discord among the ranks of the enemy; and (6) आश्रय or seeking shelter (the help of a powerful king &c.). मनुमानेन—According to the line of conduct chalked out by Manu. Here Manu may refer to the great law-giver or to the king of that name. *Cf* Ragh. I. 17; cf. also Yājñavalkya—कुलानि जातीः श्रेणीश्च गणाञ्जान-पदानि । स्वधर्माच्चलितान् राजा विनीय स्थापयेत्पथि ॥ पुण्यश्लोकः—one whose name it is auspicious to repeat; one of holy fame. पुरुषायुषं—the full period of human life, one hundred years. A final अ is added to आयुस् when preceded by पुरुष &c., by अचतुर विचतुर.....निःश्रेयसपुरुषायुषद्वयायुषत्रयायुष.... Pāṇ. V. 4. 77.

तसायति—who owed his prosperity or power to him (his father); i. e. who succeeded to his prosperous kingdom. Or it may mean 'equal to him in prowess' (तस्य इव आयतिर्यस्य). दैवात्—as fate would have it. दण्डनीति—the science of politics. दण्ड—government; fr. दम् 4 P. to control, to subdue; दम्यते अनेन, द being added by अमन्ताहः । Uṇādi. I. 114. It is thus praised by Kāmandaka—एकैव दण्डनीतिस्तु विद्येत्योशनसाः स्थिताः । तस्यां तु सर्वविद्यानामारम्भाः समुदाहृताः ॥ II. 5. नास्यादृतः—did not much devote himself to, did not at all take interest in. प्रगल्भवाक्—eloquent in speech; whose words could make an impression. The following is a sound piece of advice which can be given only by a consummate politician and a veteran statesman. आत्मसंपत्—qualities of the soul, personal accomplishments. These are शान्ति, यज्ञा &c.; see the quotation from Kām.

(line 7 of the Com.) विस्तरेषु—Mark the derivation; 'with reference to speech or words;' the word is विस्तर; स च शब्दस्य विस्तरः । Amara. it is formed by adding अ (अच्) to स्तृ; the affix चञ् (अ) is added to it with the prep. वि (which gives विस्तर) in the sense of extension or magnitude. We have a third word विष्टर from the same root in the sense of 'a seat', by वृक्षासनयोर्विष्टरः । Pān. VIII. 3. 93. विस्तार—development, culture, see above, note on विस्तर. आत्मसं०—refining, polishing, necessary for it. Cf. चतसृष्वपि ते विवेकिनी नृप विद्यासु निरुद्धिमागतः (मतिः) । &c. Kir. II. 6; and आत्मा प्रयत्नादर्थेभ्यो मनः समाधितिष्ठति । संयोगादात्ममनसोः प्रवृत्तिरुपजायते ॥ विज्ञानं हृदयं चित्तं मनो बुद्धिश्च तत्समम् । अनेनात्मा करोतीह पवर्तननिवर्तने ॥ प्रयत्नज्ञानसंस्कारा आत्मलिङ्गमुदाहृतम् ॥ Kām.-Nīt. I. 28, 30, 31. अर्थशास्त्रेषु—see *supra*, p. 147. अमिसंशोधिता—the simile shows that proficiency in the science of government is of vital importance to a king. बुद्धिशून्यः—Here बुद्धि means diplomatic talent, statesmanship.

P. 189. अत्युच्छ्रितः—very mighty, supreme. अभ्यास्यमाणं—surpassed in diplomacy; brought under their power. विभज्य—assigning their proper province to them. अयथावृत्त—not acting with a right perception of objects to be effected and their means. कर्मसु प्रतिहन्यमानः—defeated or thwarted in his objects (undertakings). योगक्षेम—the acquisition of things not obtained and their preservation. See com. भतिक्रान्तं—when contempt is shown to authority. सर्वाः स्थितीः &c.—will upset all order. निर्भयादः—when people transgress the bounds of duty, i.e. are demoralized. आगमदीप &c.—आगम means here नीतिशास्त्र or the science of the conduct of human affairs. लोकयान्त्रा—the conduct of worldly affairs, the course of worldly life. द्यवहित—hidden from view, secret; or, impeded by obstacles. विप्रकृष्ट—beyond the reach or ken of senses. नैन हीनः &c.—Cf. अनेकसशयोच्छेदि परोक्षार्थस्य दर्शकम् । सर्वस्य लोचनं शास्त्रं यस्य नास्त्यन्ध एव सः ॥ अप्रतिहतवृत्ति—the operation of which is never obstructed. अर्थदर्शन—discernment of political and other ends or objects. आगमय—obtain an insight into, gain proficiency in. तदर्थानु०—by carrying out or acting up to its precepts. आवर्जितराजिकं—having at command the three regal powers. For the Śaktis, see *infra*, p. 208.

P. 190. प्रसादविक्तः—who enjoyed special royal favour; *lit.* who was known to be a royal favourite. वाद्य—is of four kinds, viz. तत्तं वीणादिकं वाद्यं (such as playing on lutes, violins and

other stringed instruments) आनद्धं मुरजा (tabors &c.)—दिकम् । वंशादिकं (playing on harps and other wind-instruments) तु सुषिरं कान्यतालादिकं (beating of cymbals and other instruments struck together in pairs) घनम् ॥ Amar. I. 7. 4. अवाप्त—*not out, i. e. well-acquainted with.* अवन्त्रितमुखः—garrulous, of licentious tongue. बहुभक्तिः—clever in periphrastical and enigmatical speeches. परमर्मा—habitually seeking another's weak or vulnerable points. परिवादः—delighting in circulating scandal. वैद्युन्यपण्डितः—adept in craft. इस्कोष—bribes. सकलः—a professor of all wicked acts, of every kind of iniquity. कामतन्त्रः—a pilot of libertinism or licentiousness. कामतन्त्र—the science or ways of sexual enjoyment. कुनवसेवकः—one who had served the king from the time he was a boy or crown prince. “The arguments which are urged by one of his (Anantavarman's) favourites,” remarks Prof. Wilson, “in behalf of idle pleasures and in detraction of grave advisers and ministers, while they speak the language of the profligate in all ages, afford some curious insight into the abuses of official authority which prevailed in Indian Government at the time of the composition.” With the introductory part of this admonition may be compared Nai.-Ch. XVII. Ślokas 37-96, as pointed by Mr. Agashe. उच्चावचैः—of all sorts; *lit.* high and low; उदक् च अवाक् च उच्चावचम्; irregularly formed. See *supra*, p. 131. कर्षयन्तः—teasing, harassing. मृत्यु—after death. *Cf.* मृतः स्मरति जन्मानि मृते कर्मफलोर्मयः । अन्य-मुक्ते मृते तृप्तिरित्यलं भूतवार्तया ॥ Nai. XVII. 53. अमृत्युदया—fortune or prosperity of the highest kind or exalted nature. मुण्डविस्वा etc.—This refers to the initiatory rite at the Agnish-ṭoma sacrifice, in which the head of the Yajamāna is first shaven, then tied with the *kus'a* grass &c. as stated here. पाषण्डिनः—religious hypocrites, heretics. This refers to the Jaina Bhikshus who advocate renunciation of worldly ties, such as wife, sons, &c. पटुजातीय—*a clever or shrewd fellow.* अस्ये दृगदृष्टिकायै—in pursuit of this mirage. इस्तगतं—what he has in his possession. काकिणी—an inferior coin equal to twenty cowries. कार्षापण—a copper coin of a particular value. See Bhūṣhaṇā.

P. 191. चतस्रः राजः—See Kām. N. II. 2. त्रयी—the three Vedas. वातो—practical arts such as agriculture, commerce &c. The Devī-Purāṇa thus accounts for the name—पञ्चाविणलनादिवि कविर्कर्मस्तकारणात् । रत्ननाद्वाराणां द्वाष्टि वातो वा एव गीयते ॥ अग्नीषोमी—

logic and metaphysics. दण्डनीति—The science of government. Cf. Kām-Nit. II. quoted in the com., and एकैव दण्डनीतिस्तु विद्येत्योशनसः स्मिताः । तस्यां तु सर्वविद्यानामारम्भाः संप्रतिष्ठिताः ॥ Kām. Nit. II. 5. विष्णुगुप्त—better known as Ohāṇakya, a celebrated statesman and diplomatist who flourished in the latter part of the 4th century B. C. He is the author of a work on political science and state-craft called Ohāṇakyaṇṭi after him. नौर्यार्ये—Manṛya is Ohandragupta, king of Pāṭaliputra, and the hero of the Mudrārākhaṣa. According to Indian authorities, Ohāṇakya was his principal adviser and minister, he having got the throne of the Nandas chiefly through his help. शास्त्रान्तरातुच्चि— is connected with other Śāstras (and depends upon them for its thorough understanding). Here begins a satirical description of the study and effects of *Dandānīti* or political science. पुत्रद्वारमपि &c.—For the Nīti-śāstra lays down stringent rules for the daily course of action of a king. He is not to trust too much his queen or sons, must eat a measured quantity of food and of a particular kind, well examined by experts and so on. See Kām-Nit. VII. आत्मकुक्षेः &c.—for their own belly, i. e. meals.

उत्थितेन &c.—Now the author tells us, closely following the authority of Ohāṇakya, how the regal day of 24 hours was apportioned into eight parts, particular duties being assigned to each. मुष्टि—has a technical meaning, according to the Bhūṣhaṇā (which see); for a different sense see *supra*, p. 121 (मुष्टिवधः); here मुष्टि means a measure used in checking the account of the income from and expenditure on account of the country, while अर्घ्यमुष्टि is to be used in connexion with a village. See also the Laghubhūṣikā. भक्षन्तरीकृत्य—having admitted for reckoning; or taking into account. It may here mean 'having eaten a morsel' also. भक्ष्यव्ययमार्त— all the receipts and expenditure. आह्वरणोपायान्—modes or ways of defrauding. Cf. तेषां हरणोपायान्त्वारिंशत् । Ohāṇ. II. 8. विकल्पयितारः—adopt as alternatives; hence, multiply into. The precepts are द्वितीये पौरजानपदानां कार्याणि पश्येत् । तृतीये ज्ञानभोजनं सेवेत स्वाध्यायं च कुर्वीत । चतुर्थे । हरण्यप्रतिग्रहमभ्यक्षाश्च कुर्वीत । पञ्चमे मन्त्रिपरिवर्तं पत्रसंमेषणेन मन्त्रयेत् । चारयुक्तबोधनानि च बुध्येत । I. 19. अद्यपराजयौ—decision in favour of or otherwise. For प्राप्तिदाक see p. 131, last line. अर्थैः—by securing their own objects or consulting their own advantage. पापेन.....यो-जयन्ति—Cf. ईदृशे व्यवहाराभौ मन्त्रिभिः परिपासिताः । स्थाने खलु महीपाला गच्छन्ति कृपणा दशाश्च ॥ Mṛish. IX. 41; see also the next śl.

यावदन्धःपरिणामः—until the food eaten is digested. विषभयं—A king runs the danger of having his food poisoned. Cf. यानि शय्यासनं पाने भोज्ये वस्त्रे विभूषणे । सर्वत्रैवापमत्तः स्याद्भुजैत विषदुहितम् ॥ Kām. N. VI. 9 (and the succeeding ślokas wherein several modes for detecting poison are given).

P. 192. विरप्य०—The king is to receive and make presents in the fourth division of the day. प्रसारयन्त्र—i. e. he has scarcely time to do that. मन्त्रचिन्ता—deliberation or consideration of political schemes with the ministers and councillors. मध्यस्था इव—outwardly appearing to be neutral (indifferent and impartial). Or, after the Bhūṣhaṇā, 'like pleaders,' नियः संभूय—forming a league with one another. दोषगुणौ—merits and defects (of a political scheme). दूताः—ambassadors, envoys. स्वच्छया—according to their will (as would suit their purpose). विपरिवर्तयन्तः—perverting, misrepresenting and confounding. उपजीविन्ति—live upon, i. e. they enrich themselves by getting money and the other objects they seek from the members of their own party, the party of enemy and of the allies or friends. बाह्या०—see *supra*, p. 134. प्रज्ञमयन्त इव—They do not really want to suppress insurrections, but want war; cf. मन्त्रिणः स्वार्थतात्पर्यादीर्धमिच्छन्ति विग्रहम् । तेषां च भोग्यतामिति क्षीयकार्याकुलो तृपः ॥ Kām. N. XII. 41. अवशमवगृह्णन्ति—hold him helpless in their power. सौख्यैता०—स दहतां स्वैर० v. l. is not so good, as the speaker nowhere condemns a thing directly, but leaves it to be so understood from his words which have an ironical force. तिस्रस्त्रि०—3¼ Nādikās, i. e. ghaṭikās (a घटिका = 24 minutes), or an hour and a half. What a long interval of time ! चतुरङ्ग०—In the Kauṭ. we have हस्यश्वरथायुधीयान्प्रयेत्. तद्वक्षेण—reviewing of. सेनापति०—सेनापतेः सखा सेनापतिसख. तस्य; the comp. must be so dissolved, and not as a Bah. विक्रमचिन्ता—projects of victory, i. e. how to make the army efficient. गूढगुरुषः—men in disguise, secret emissaries. In the first portion of the night the king is to receive the reports of his spies and envoys. हस्त्राग्नि &c.—Persons appointed to employ weapons or fire or to administer poison (to compass particular ends). These were the ways of getting an unwelcome person or enemy out of the way. Chāṇakya himself takes precautions to thwart the efforts of Rākshasa in this direction, in the Mudrārākshasa. अनुद्वय—to be set to work or appointed. तूर्यपांचन—seated,

enjoys rest, listening to the play of trumpets; or तृतीये may be taken with the preceding sentence ; thus द्वितीये...आरभते तृतीये; 'in the second watch he takes his food, and attends to his daily course of studies in the third.' The next sentence would then begin with तूर्यघोषेण &c.—going to bed on hearing the sound of the trumpet, he enjoys sleep &c. किल—as they say, i. e. he is not likely to get sleep. अजस्र—constant; fr. जस् 4 Conj. P. with र added by नमिक्स्मिन्स्यजसकमहिंसदीपो रः । Pāṇ. III. 2. 167 ; जसिः (i. e. the root जस्) नञ्पूर्वः क्रियासातस्ये वर्तते । नम्रः, कम्पः, स्मेरः, अजस्रः &c. मनसः—with his mind labouring under the torture of; or, tormented by being on the stretch of constant anxiety. मन्त्रमहः—listening to the counsels of the ministers; सप्तमे मन्त्रमभ्यासीत गृहपुरुषाश्च भेषयेत् । Kaut. N. नाम—as is well-known. वीतद्युक्कबाध—free from the fear of being subject to taxes. वणिज्यया—by disposing of or selling. वणिजः कर्म वणिज्या formed by affixing य by दूतवणिग्भ्यां च quoted in the Kāś'ikā. This is not found in the Bhāṣhya, says the Sid.-Kau.—माधवस्तु वणिज्याशब्दः स्वभावास्त्वीलिङ्गः भावे एव प्रत्ययः न तु कर्मणि इत्याह । भाष्ये तु दूतवणिग्भ्यां च इति नास्त्येव । So this should be dissolved as वणिजि साधुः, by affixing यत् (य) by तत्र साधुः । Pāṇ. IV. 4. 98. The word वणिज्यं is formed by affixing य्यञ् (य) by Pāṇ. V. 1. 124. लेष्टेन—lit. in some part; making some occasion for it. क्लेशेन v. l.—with difficulty, taking pains to create an occasion.

P. 193. The eighth portion is appropriated to the priest and religious ceremonies, after which the business of the day is resumed. गुणवत्—prolific of fruit, efficacious. ब्रह्मकल्परः—almost equal to Brahman. This is ironical. स्वस्त्ययन—स्वस्ति ईयते अनेन a rite averting evil and leading to a blissful end. Mr. Agashe quotes the following from the Śabdakalpādruma—माङ्गल्यकर्मारम्भकालविवक्ष्यमाणमन्त्रोच्चारणपूर्वक-तण्डुलविकिरणम् । तन्मन्त्रो यथा—अमुककर्मणि पुण्याहं भवन्तो ब्रुवन्तु । इत्युक्ते पुण्याहमिति ब्राह्मणैस्त्रिरुक्ते अमुककर्मणि ऋद्धिं भवन्तो ब्रुवन्तु । ततः ऋष्यतामिति ब्राह्मणास्त्रिष्टेयुः । ततः स्वस्ति न इन्द्रो वृद्धश्रवाः स्वस्ति नः पूषा विश्ववेदाः । स्वस्ति नस्तार्योऽरिष्टनेमिः स्वस्ति नो बृहस्पतिर्दधातु । इति पठित्वा तण्डुलाश्च विकिरेत् । अद्याप्यप्राप्तं—who have not as yet received any donations. स्वर्ग—leading to heaven, conferring heavenly happiness. आयुष्यं—conferring long life; आयुः प्रयोजनमस्य ; fr. आयुस् + य (त्) . तन्मुखेन—through their medium. अवहितं—This and the following adj. compounds qualify अहनिर्वा used as a noun. अविरतं—full of

torments. नवतः—passing. स्वमण्डल—his own territory. आवि-
 श्वासः—mistrust. People see a motive in all his acts as they
 don't seem to be natural, and so do not trust him. वाक्ता च
 &c.—To what extent the course of worldly existence can
 proceed without policy, is seen from the experience of ordinary
 life; i. e. it is quite clear from our experience of daily life
 that the course of the world can go on unimpeded without
 policy. Some read न यातिलोकः; this means—to what extent
 does not proceed without &c.; i. e. worldly experience itself
 teaches what policy to follow in this world. नात्र शास्त्रेभ्यः—
 We need have no recourse to Śāstra in this matter. अति-
 यन्त्रणा—too great or absurd restraint. सामादिरुपायः—see
 com. मन्त्रिचक्र—hypocritical or cunning counsellors; a
 Tatp. Comp. of the Nitya class; see com. मन्त्रकर्कश—
 advocates of a stern enforcement of counsel or policy. शुक्र—
 Śukráchārya, the preceptor of the demons and the author of
 a Smṛiti, named after him. आङ्गिरस—a great sage, one of the
 inspired law-givers (an author of one of the chief Smṛitis) and
 a writer on astronomy. विशालाक्ष—name of Śiva, as the author
 of a Śāstra. बाह्वन्तिपुत्रः—Son of Indra (बाह्वन्तिन्), name of
 Jayadatta, author of a Tantra. The two are referred to as
 writers on Nīti by Kauṭilya; see Prak. IV. p. 13, Mysore Ed.
 पराशर is well known; his Smṛiti is considered as the chief
 authority in the Kali age.

P. 194. पठन्तश्च &c.—Those who are well-read are
 taken in by those who have never read Śāstra. ननु इदमुपपन्न
 &c.—Does not Your Majesty possess all this, viz. सर्वलोकस्य
 &c. अयातयाम—यातयाम (see com.) means 'the time for the en-
 joyment of which is gone;' exhausted, stale; hence अया—what
 is fresh, youthful. बहुमार्गवि—On account of its pointing out
 diverse ways and therefore not leading to one definite end.
 अमुक्तसंशयेन—never giving up its misgivings (i. e. not arriving
 at a definite conclusion as to the adoption of one way). तन्ना-
 दाय—giving attention to internal as well as to foreign matters
 (see com.); cares of state-matters. पादात्—fr. पदाति + अण् (अ)
 by Pāṇ. IV. 2. 38; see com. पादाभ्यामतति इति पदातिः. अन्याजित—
 another's property. अल्पाल्प—very small. दयःखण्डश्च—a
 portion of life. अर्जयन्त एव &c.—perish while they are acquir-
 ing money; i. e. they never curb their desires. आस्वादयितुं—
 Inf. of the cau. of स्वद् 1 A'; or read आस्वादितुं. अन्तरिक्षे
 —men enjoying your confidence, trusted men. अप्सरःप्रति—
 counterparts equal to the nymphs of heaven in beauty.

व. नगोष्ठी—drinking parties. यथार्ह—यो यो अर्हः यथार्हः suited to
 i. e. capable of enjoying, every object; cf. ते तमाचरतानन्दं स्वच्छन्दं
 यं यमिच्छथ । Nai. XVII. 50. पञ्चाङ्ग—see com. अञ्जलिचुम्बित-
 ब्रूहः—-with his folded hands closely placed across his brow.
 क्रीडा०—क्रीडानिर्भरमतिः v. l. his mind deeply set on sport.

P. 195. एषु दिनेषु—In the days that followed. प्रस्तुतेऽर्थे—
 the business in hand or for consideration. अचित्तज्ञ इति—
 Because he did not correctly read his (the king's) thoughts.
 अलचित्तेऽर्थे—In matters distasteful or disagreeable to him.
 अभिगतः—a thorn in the eye; an eye-sore; an object of hatred.
 विलोभनवस्तूनि—choice gifts, *lit.* things that are tempting or
 attractive. प्रत्यवेक्षणे—has regard for, cares for. आसन्नकार्येषु—
 things that immediately concern him; his private matters.
 अवष्टभ्यमान—encroached upon, occupied by. मत्समान०—the
 faults of those holding equal rank with me; or, मत्समानदोषान्
 may mean 'whose faults are similar to mine,' i. e. who have the
 courage to advise him like me. विगर्हयति—'censures more par-
 ticularly' (वि). मर्मणि &c.—so as to touch my vitals, so as to
 cause intense pain. प्रतिक्रियति—disapproves, rejects. स्थलित-
 blunders. मूर्खैः &c.—which is an insult to them. सख्यमाह चा०
 —the reference is to Ohāṇakya's अनर्थोश्च प्रिया वृष्टा चित्तज्ञानाव-
 वर्तिनः । and अप्रिया अपि दक्षाः सुस्तज्ज्ञावाये बहिष्कृताः । Prak. 92.
 चित्तज्ञानानुवर्तिनः—following the bents of mind of the
 king, ministering to the desires of the king. अनर्थाः—
 undesirable, i. e. wicked or bad counsellors. अनर्थाः v. l.—
 अविद्यमानोऽर्थो येभ्यः from whom no object can be gained;
 hence, bad. तज्ज्ञावबहिष्कृतः—out of, i. e. not knowing, his
 intentions. पित्रपैतामहेः—servants of his father and grand-
 father. अश्रूयमाणयाचः—when our counsels are not listened
 to. अश्मक—An old name of Travancore. The Āśmakas
 were also inhabitants of Northern India according to Varāha-
 mihira (Bṛih. Sam. XIV. 34) who also speaks of them along
 with the A'ndhras (XVI. 11). Cf. "A tribe of Āśmakas, or
 Assakas, was settled, at the time when the Sutta-Nipāṭa was
 composed, on the banks of the Godāvarī. This is, no doubt, the
 same tribe whose name appears in inscriptions at Ajanta
 of about the sixth century A. D., and they therefore probably
 occupied land near the sources of this river in the Western
 Deccan, south of Berar." (Mark Collins).

प्रकृतिस्थमापादयेयुः—will restore him to his natural disposition,
 reclaim him. अनर्थेषु—undesirable pursuits. सुलभयत्कीक—easily

leading to or bringing on misery or pain. द्वेष—disgust for. स्वस्मिन्निष्ठुनमिहः—putting a curb over my tongue, and so not allowing it to move in giving advice, refraining from counselling. Or it may mean—‘putting (or exercising) a check on the tongues of wicked (or, designing) men.’

P. 196. एवं गते—When the minister had taken this resolve and held himself aloof from state-affairs. असद्वृत्तः &c.—being avowedly expelled by his father for his licentious conduct. Mark the meaning of नाम ‘under the pretence of,’ ‘giving out that ;’ cf. *supra*, कार्तान्तिको नाम भूत्वा p. 159. शिल्पकारिणी—a dancing girl. छत्र—in disguise (numerous servants in different disguises). विहारभद्र—the king’s favourite; see *supra*, p. 190. संक्रम—course of conduct; or, by this ‘channel,’ राजन्यास्पदमलभत—obtained a hold upon the king. लब्धरन्ध्र—*Lit.* when he found a loop-hole for him to enter, i.e. got into the king’s confidence or getting an opportunity—refers to Ohandrapālita. स refers to राजन्. औपकारिकी—conferring benefits. The author now points out ten beneficial results of chace. व्यायामोत्कर्ष—best kind of exercise. जङ्घाजङ्घ—fleetness or swiftness of foot. आशयान्निहीति—*Lit.* kindling of the gastric fire, quickening or improving the appetite. आशय—the stomach. मेद—fat. स्थैर्य—firmness, power of endurance; see com. अतिलाघव—great agility. अवस्थान्तरेषु—different states of the mind as affected by fright. चिन्तचर्चित—thoughts and actions. हरिषः..... प्रतिक्रिया—This (preventing injury to crops) was the chief object which the Śāstrakāras had in view in allowing kings the right of मुगया. स्थलपथः—clearing the roads of the pestilence of tigers and others. Cf. with the ideas expressed here Śāk. II. 4, 5 quoted in the com., and Ragh. IX. 49. Dapdin must have had these before his mind’s eye when he wrote this passage. विविधकर्म—fit for undertakings of various kinds. आदधिकवर्गविश्रम्भ—gaining the confidence of the people that tenant the wilds. संधुल्लङ्घ—quickening, stirring up. प्रत्यनीकविनाशन—intimidation of hostile parties. आशय—the mind (generosity of heart). अनवस्थान—*Lit.* unsettled state; uncertainty, or instability. अविवक्षित—*Lit.* the state of not being subject to, power to control the feelings of. अमर्ष—high-spiritedness (which does not allow one to bear the rise of another or to bear insults tamely); cf. अमर्षशून्येन जनस्य जन्तुना न जातहावेन न विद्विषाद्भरः। Kir. I. 33.

P. 197. **अक्षस्तस्यवादि**—With regard to the handling of dice and moving the pieces in the squares &c. **अत्यन्तदुरुप**—too subtle to be marked or noticed. **कूटकर्मणां**—clever tricks. **उपल**—by marking or observing them. **एकविषयो**—since the whole is focused or concentrated (*lit.* made to converge to the fulfilment of) one object (*viz.* success in the game). **अव्यवसाय**—the concomitant of, *i. e.* to be gained by, determined perseverance. **प्रतिसंसर्ग**—opposition to. **शरीरयापन**—passing of life. **अर्थधर्मौ**—by the *Vārttika* धर्मादिविनियमः the comp. may be धर्मार्थौ or अर्थधर्मौ. **शुक्ल**—praiseworthy, noble. **पुरुषाभिमानः**—the pride of one's being a male, *i. e.* gifted with manly (virile) power (पौरुष). **अलोभक्लिष्ट**—not hampered by greed, as one has to be necessarily generous. **अलब्धोपलब्धि**—for, as such a man has constant need of money, he must try to obtain what he has not yet obtained. The adjectives **अलब्ध** &c. may also similarly refer to females (**अलब्धाया उपलब्धिः**, **लब्धाया अनुरक्षणं** &c.). **शुक्लानुसंधान**—keeping an eye on what is spent (so that there should be no waste); or, **शुक्लाया अनु**—keeping well-pleased (a woman) after enjoyment. **शरीरसंस्कार**—संस्कार means bodily cleanliness and decoration. A man wishing to win the hearts of ladies must pay special attention to his bodily decoration and dress. **सुभग**—charming, attractive. **संभावनीयता**—imposing appearance, impressiveness; *lit.* capacity to win public esteem. **व्यपेक्षा**—regard or consideration for, being kind to servants. **उद्विक्तसं**—great nobility of mind; or, rather, excessive virility or vitality. **स्वहृणीयवयो**—preservation or keeping up of enviable youth (by the flush wine imparts to the face). **अहंकारप्रकर्ष**—extreme sense of self-respect; an overwhelming sense of self (due to the influence of wine). **अक्लृप्त**—its exciting or inflaming passion. **संधुक्षणम्**—the stimulation of. **अपराधप्रमार्जन**—blotting out from memory crimes committed. **मनःशून्य**—anything ranking in the mind. **अज्ञात्वज्ञासिन्**—declaring or indicating absence of deceit or guile, *i. e.* straightforwardness. **अभ्राज्य** *v. l.*—disclosing secrets. **उपवृद्धय**—increasing. **अननुबन्ध**—break, cessation. **आनन्दैकतानता**—complete absorption in joy; or, the continuous enjoyment of unmixed joy. **संविभाग**—the habit of distributing or allotting shares to others.

P. 198. **अनुत्तराणि**—unsurpassed, excellent beyond comparison. **विलसितानि**—sportings, dalliances. **भयासिंहरणाद्** &c.—It is useful in war, since it makes one insensible to fear and pain.

वाक्पादस्य &c.—These are set forth as qualifications necessary for a king. The Bhú. does not seem to be right in connecting these with पान, as the इति after सामानिकारं closes the subject-
दूषणानि भयानि—*Lit.* misappropriation of money, imposing money-penalty, extravagance, &c. अर्थदूषण is mentioned by writers on polity as one of the faults of kings due to anger; see Ka'm. quoted further on. It is of four kinds—अदानमादानं विनाशः परित्यागश्चार्थस्येत्यर्थदूषणम् । Ka'u. Artha. VIII. 3. 129. औपकारिकाणि—Here it will be seen that Chandra. speaks approvingly (of course with a sinister motive) of the very things which are condemned by writers on polity as grave faults in a king; *cf.* वाग्दण्डयोश्च पादस्यमर्थदूषणमेव च । स्मृतं व्यसनतत्त्वज्ञैः क्रोधजं व्यसनत्रयम् ॥ कामजं मृगया द्यूतं स्त्रियः पानं तथैव च । व्यसनं व्यसनार्थज्ञैश्चतुर्विधमुदाहृतम् ॥ Kám. N. XV. 7, 8 ; *cf.* also Hit. II. 103-105. लोकतन्त्र—administration of a kingdom. तच्छीलां—तत् refers to the king. प्रकृतयः—The subjects. समानमर्हं—of a like disposition with the king, i. e. equally abandoned to vice. तन्त्राध्यक्षः—*Lit.* the heads of different departments; the principal officers of state. स्वानि कर्मफलानि—The fruits of their own duties, i. e. the income of their offices. आयद्वाराणि—The sources of revenue. विदविधेयतया—The king being in the power of, i. e. following the counsels of, his parasites or companions in sensuality. विदविधेयं *v. l.*—on account of the follies of his parasites. उपाकृदं—for the king did not fear adverse criticism from them. पानगो...कृताः—admitted to the drinking parties. अपाचरत्—had intercourse with. भिज्जुत्त—who abandoned their character, deviated from the path of virtue. मन्दन्नासाः—free from fear. पांसुलजन—licentious people. भक्तिभाषण—crooked (cleverly expressed) speeches, i. e. in which there is a hidden meaning in addition to the plain grammatical meaning conveying the real intention of the speaker. भ्रमचारिणं—breaking through the restraint (shackles) of good conduct or character. धातृगण—paramours. सामर्षाः—enthusiasts, exasperated parties. अपहृतपरिहृतयः—freed from the fear of reproof. अपहृतपरिहृतयः *v. l.*—the avoiding of them being removed, i. e. there being no necessity to avoid them. प्रहताः &c.—The ways of sin became trodden, i. e. frequented. बधबन्धातुराः—distressed by slaughter and imprisonment, or confinement for being put to death (बधार्थं बन्धः बधबन्धस्तेनातुराः).

P. 199. अयथाप्रणीतः—unjustly inflicted, or inflicted on the wrong party. क्रोध—disaffection, discontent. कृश—reduced to poverty. तेजस्विनो &c.—*Cf.* तत्तेजस्वी पुरुषः परकृतनिकृतिं कथं सहते

Bhar. N. 37. अकृत्येषु—evil acts, plots against the king. Here अ has the sense of अपाशस्य. प्रासरत्—found scope to act, proved effective. परीषजापाः—intrigues of the enemy; secret overtures or instigating to rebellion. तदा च &c.—The constr. is तदा च अस्मकेन्द्रयुक्ताः तीक्ष्णरसदादयः घृगयु०...अग्निविसर्गैः &c. अनन्तवर्मकटकं जर्जरमकुवन्. From here are described the various sinister means employed by the secret agents of Āsmakendra to weaken the army of Anantavarman by the destruction of the eminent warriors in it. अद्विद्वीपीः—mountain-valleys. अनपसारमार्गाः—having no passage for egress, having but one entrance. शुष्क &c.—Bah. qualifying द्रोणीः. द्वारतोऽग्निराव०—setting fire to them at the entrance causing it to spread inward, which prevented all chance of escape. इष्टूप—^a desirable well, i. e. one the water of which was represented to be excellent and desirable for drinking. तट—a precipice. प्रहर—a crevice, a pit. विष्व-ग्विसर—moving in different directions. ०अनुयातुतया—as their servants were cut off from them. ०अपराद्धेर्नाम—under pretext that they failed (missed their aim) to hit the deer. सपणवन्ध— with a wager or stipulation (यदि भवानिदं कुर्यात् तर्हिदमहं भवते दास्यामि इति समयकरणं पणवन्धः। Manoramā). प्रतिरोधन—way-laying, attacking and making prisoners; for this sense of प्रतिरोधन, cf. कोदण्डपाणि निन्दत्प्रतिरोधकानामापातदुष्पसहमाविरद्भूतीकम् Mālav. V. 10. संकुल—a crowd. इतरेषां हि सोत्प०—By causing others to be killed by forcing them to enter crowds of people gathered on such occasions as &c., so as to get them inculpated. गुह्येत्पादिभ०—to whom injuries were secretly caused to be done. पराक्रमेः—by asking them to run away (पराक्रमेः) secretly. सुहृद्वेनाभि०—having asked paramours to approach them as their friends. साहसोपन्धासैः—by mentioning these as their desperate deeds; with the reading भर्तृभयमपहृत्य 'by mentioning their daring deeds' (to their husbands). योग०—a beautiful woman who lures a man into danger, and destroys him; further on, it means a woman with a body fed on particular things, contact with whom leads to consumption. योग in such cases seems to mean—'what leads to the attainment of the desired object by means of the employment of spells, drugs and the like; ' योगप्रधाना योगयुक्ता वा नारी; cf. words like योगचूर्ण, योगवर्तिका &c. संकेत—appointed places. प्रागुप०—first lying concealed near; the Com. needlessly takes this in the sense of लीनतां प्रापय. अकीर्तिनीद—secret. प्रमापण- - killing. उपप्रलो-व—having enticed them.

P. 200. विप्रव्याजः—to be procured or encompassed under colour of their meeting with obstacles. प्रत्यपाय-निवर्तन—प्रतिगतोपायं प्रत्यपायः a remedy against injury; तस्मान्निवर्तनैः refraining from taking steps to prevent injury, i. e. allowing the elephants to kill or wound them. श्यालहस्तिन्—a vicious elephant. अपक्वण—directing it to; letting it off against. दायार्थी—for such things as a share of the ancestral property or patrimony. अययावृत्ता—those not behaving virtuously, prodigates. योगाङ्गना—Some read योगाङ्गना, and take योग्या to mean a young woman, but here अङ्गना has no propriety. रसविधान—impregnating or saturating with poison. चिकित्सासुखेन—by way of, or under the pretence of, treating. आमयोपवृद्धयैः—by fostering diseases, or making the diseases reach a more serious stage, making the cases worse. तीक्ष्णरसदा—such men as were entrusted with the work of striking in the vital parts (secret assassins) by administering poison and the like. Or तीक्ष्णरस may mean 'virulent poison.' प्रवीर—choicest warriors. वनवासि—“The king of Vanavāsī, a city in the South of India, the remains of which in the Sunda district were discovered by Colonel Colin Mackenzie.” P. Peterson. “Vanavāsī was one of the seats of the Kadamba kings in the sixth and seventh centuries and is the modern Vanavāsī in North Canara. The Mahābhārata mentions वनवासिकाः, and from the context these appear to be the inhabitants of Vanvāsī. The passage names all the people of the south as under—अथापरे जनपदा इक्षिणा भरतर्षभ । द्रविडाः केरलाः प्राच्यः सुषिका वनवासिकाः । कर्णाटका महिषकाः &c. Bhīshma-P. IX. 58-59.” Mr. Agashe. प्रोत्साह्य—having fomented or incited against. तत्परावृष्ट &c.—The borders of his kingdom being invaded by him. बलसमुत्थान— the mobilization of his forces. अश्मकन्दः—see p. 195. कुन्तलपतेः—Kuntala was the name of the country to the north of Ohola. Its capital was Kalyān or Kallian-Doorg. According to Mr. Vincent Smith, Kuntala was the country between the Bhīmā and the Vedavatī, bounded on the West by the Ghats including Śimoga, Ohitaldroog, Bellary, Dharwar, and Bijapur, and the adjacent parts. *Early History*, p. 148. आत्मनाटकीया—a dancing girl in his service. परावृत्ति—violates.

• P. 201. मुरलेयं—The lord of the Kerala country. Muralā's the principal river of Kerala (mentioned by Kālidāsa,

Ragh. IV. 55). Hence the people of Kerala were sometimes called Muralas. Kerala was the strip of land between the Western Ghats and the sea, north of the Kāveri. It corresponds to the modern Canara, and probably included Malabar also. कृषीक—and नासिक्य, were countries of the South which, together with the others mentioned, form the whole of Southern India. The reading कृषीक is adopted from Mr. Agashe's ed. in preference to the old reading कृषीक as it is found in the Rāmāyaṇa (विदर्मानुषिकाश्चैव रम्या-
न्महिषिकानपि IV. 41) and in the Mahābhārata Bhīṣma-P. IX. 5. 64, and also in the Bṛhatsamhitā XIV. 15 (तापसाश्रमा
ऋषिकाः). Nāsikya is mentioned among the southern countries in the Bṛh. Sam. in the verse कर्णाटमहादविचित्रकूटनासिक्यकोल्लगिरि-
चोह्लाः। &c. XIV. 13. According to some Nāsikya is the present Nāsik on the Godāvari. उपजपाव—make secret overtures to win over to our side; instigate to rebellion. अग्रतो न्यतिपत्तं—engaged or encountered in front., काञ्चन—shawls of a saffron hue with lace-borders. प्रायुतीकृत्य—offering as presents, presenting. आभिषत्त्वमगमत्—fell a victim to them; i. e. was overpowered by them and lost his kingdom. अवशीर्ण—lit. routed; hence, got as spoil. आत्माधिष्ठितं—keeping it in his custody. दयाबलं—according to your respective powers. सर्वातुर्वर्ती—pleasing all. अग्रसत्—appropriated to himself.

मौलेः—hereditary ministers. दाहङ्गर—a burning fever brought on by grief. माहिष्मती—It was the capital of the Haihayas or Kalachuris (the great Kārtavīrya and his son Arjuna), whose kingdom lay to the North of the Narmadā. It was situated between the Vindhya and the Riksha mountains, about Beraghar, below Jabalpur. See Ragh. VI. 43. वैमातुराय भ्रात्रे—her husband's brother by another mother. अन्यथाऽन्वमन्यत—thought otherwise of her; i. e. thought that she would yield to his desires if he made the proposal अवधाव—making sure that it would be a place of safety.

P. 202. क्षेपप्रवृत्त—gone in safety. घोष—a station or residence of cowherds. आत्मासक्तिं—to invigorate or refresh. संघात—a sudden attack. किमीया जात्या—what is her family? सत्त्वजे—Another instance of the author's inadvertence (Perf. in the 1st pers.). सिन्धुदत्तापुत्राणां—Sindhudattā seems to be the name of Sus'rata's mother, his father being Pushpodbhava. नवावलिख—proud of his state-craft. अविचय—I.

shot the arrows at. एकः &c.—One of the deer fell with the arrow piercing him to its feathery part, the other with the arrow piercing him through, so as to leave its feathers behind. सपत्रनिष्पत्रादित्यथने Pañ. V. 4. 61; डाच् (aff. आ) स्यात्. सपत्राकरोति मृगम् । सपुङ्खशङ्खप्रवेशनेन सपत्रं करोतीत्यर्थः । निष्पत्राकरोति सपुङ्खस्य शरस्यापरपार्श्वेन निगमनात् निष्पत्रं करोतीत्यर्थः । Sid.-Kau. मृगमु—मृगान् वधार्थं यातीति ; a huntsman. अपलोमस्त्वचः—which was skinned and cleaned. क्लोम—the lungs, or entrails. निष्कुलाकृत्य—having dissected or separated the body into different parts. निर्गतं कुलमन्तरवयवानां समूहो यस्मादिति बहुव्रीहेर्डाच् । निष्कुलाकरोति दाडिमम् । Sid.-Kau. on Pañ. V. 4. 62 (see com). शूलाकृत्य—spitting it with a rod and roasting it. आ is added to निष्कुल and शूळ in the senses given (see com). The author seems to have used these words here purposely, to display his knowledge of Sanskrit grammar.

P. 203. अत्यतार्षम्—अतार्षम् seems to be a mistaken form for अतारिषं which is the proper form. अतस्त्रिषं v. l. must be taken in the sense of 'satisfied.' दृति—a leather-bag. सम्यक्प्रतिपत्त्या—by (treating or acting towards) her well. प्रस्थाकृत्य—having attracted him back. आक्रोशन—a report. अभिपत्स्यति—'The Paras. is irregular; or read पत्स्यते; 'will approach her (with carnal desire);' cf. रावणावरजा तत्र राघवं मदनानुरा । अभिपदे निदाघाता व्यालीव मलयद्रुमम् ॥ Ragh. XII. 32. संनीय—having mixed. पतिव्रता इति—supply उक्त्वा after this (इति उक्त्वा हन्तव्यः). कापालिक—a mendicant of a particular Śaiva sect, moving with a skull in his hand for collecting alms, &c.

P. 204. रेवा—or 'the roaring one,' was another name for the Narmadā. परीक्ष्य वैजयं जनेषु निर्गतेषु—when people will have left it after assuring themselves that there was no one in. प्रतिष्ठापयिष्यति—will re-establish him in his sovereignty. उपपत्स्यते—all this will come to pass. उपश्रियुक्तं—based on, or proceeding from, fraud. सान्ध्यसंसी &c.—The vision declared that she (Mañjuvādinī) had a protector (was no longer destitute), referring to her espousal by Viśrutā.

P. 205. महर्षिनरागः—who was agitated on account of the passion she felt for me at my sight. मञ्जुवादिनी—whose courage was drunk up by the loveful glances of Mañjuvādinī. आकार्य—having made a sign to him to follow us. प्रथितः—much talked of. कुशलव—musicians, bards. मात्राः—chattels, property; here, his equipments. वेषलीलः—having put on the

gray dress of. अद्वयजिनातये समये—at a time when the sun-light had turned red, i. e. when it was about sunset. समानज्ञानोप०—the reading समानोपयोगीनि is better, as ज्ञान has no particular propriety here. नानारुतानि—imitations of different voices. रुदितानि v. l. is bad, as रुदित is not applied to the notes of birds. हस्तचक्रमण—moving on hands with the legs raised up. ऊर्ध्वपाद &c.—movements with different postures of the body, for which see com. करणानि—gymnastic feats.

P. 206. उपहितवर्मा—*with these fixed about my body.* उत्क्रोशपात—*jumping like an osprey.* प्रत्युरसं—अ is added generally to उरस् at the end of an Avyayībhāva. वसन्तमानुः—*The king of Āsmaka. His object was to inculpate Vasanta-bhānu as the instigator of the murder.* उत्कर्तुं—अस्कर्तुं v. l. is the reading of both the Bhūṣhaṇā and the Laghudīpikā. It means 'to wound,' being der. from अरुन्. The final स् of this, as also of चेतस् and चक्षुस्, is dropped before the aff. चि; see com. चारभटः—a valorous man, a warrior; or, it may mean here one of the bard-warriors; see com. आक्रम्य—*having jumped upon.* विचेतीकुर्वन्—*stunning him, making him senseless.* आकुलं—*frightened, confused.* एष पन्थाः—*this line of my foot-marks.* अस्पष्ट &c.—*my foot-prints being effaced from the sand levelled by.* पुनरवाचा—*then turning to the west.* In this case वय will mean the mound that supports a rampart. उचितेष्टक &c.—*the bricks being unevenly piled up.* खात—*a ditch.* प्रतिमुक्त—*having put on.* मत्कर्तुमुल—*crowded with people full of talk about my deed.* प्रतिमाधिष्ठान—*the place or pedestal of the image.* भग्नपाद्वर्ग—*the outer opening of which was concealed with a large stone-slab the sides of which were loosened.*

P. 207. वर्धर—*a eunuch.* देवी तु—i. e. the queen Vasumdhara. भद्रमकेन्द्रो—*sent him word that the unhappy event had been contrived by the king of Āsmaka.* कुक्षिवैजन्व—*carefully ascertained that the interior was quite unoccupied.* पटीदासं—*very loud.* अमृतर—*very minute.* लोहपादपीठ—*the iron pedestal.* भंसलपुरुष—*not to be shaken even by a strong man after effort.* The possessive aff. ल after अंस signifies strength; see com. यथापूर्वमपविस्था—*after having replaced Durgā.* प्रत्यक्ष—*realization, confidence.* This and the following are adverbs, to be construed with प्रणिपतन्तीः. रुदविरमयं—*overpowered by astonishment.* आपन्नः—*in distress, plunged into misery.* भगवन्मातृपक्षः—*one whose mother's side is strong; i. e. having a protecting mother.* The reading मन्द् makes no sense. चतुर्विधस्मान्—*whose son*

(energy, spirit) is able to remove (break off) the pot in the shape of As'maka, cruel by his intrigue well brought to light &c. निर्वेश—compensation, recompense. आर्क्षवा—by the goddess. वाचामगोचरा—not to be expressed by words, beyond the power of expression.

P. 208. अलङ्घरन्मः—who could find no weak point, who could find no trace of our contrivance or secret plot. नटमुष्टि &c.—By telling what a man has lost, or what he has in his clenched hand (or whether the things in his clenched hand are of even or odd number), or what one is thinking of and such other things—proofs which a man having any pretence to divine knowledge must give. समर्थवमानः—upholding; believing in. आर्यापुत्रः—son of the venerable goddess. प्रभावहेतुः—due to the divine power of the goddess; it may also be a Gen. Tatp. भद्राकृतं—shaved (for an auspicious purpose). मन्त्र—the power arising from good counsel. प्रभाव—the power arising from the majesty or pre-eminent position of the king. उत्साह—the personal energy of the king. परस्पराः—mutually assisted by their right employment. क्रमन्ते—have effect, have power to accomplish. The next sentence explains their respective spheres of action. विनिश्चयः &c.—the determination of objects or political measures. निर्वहणं—the realization of the object. पञ्चाङ्ग—the five elements of statesmanship are:—allies, the means to the end, a proper division of time or space, adopting counter-measures (to meet an emergency), and attainment of the desired object. पञ्च अङ्गानि यस्यासौ पञ्चाङ्गो मन्त्रः मूलं यस्य । See Kām. Nītis. XII. 26 quoted in the com. Policy or state-craft is here compared to a tree composed of the different parts mentioned here. द्विरूपप्रभावः—The supremacy of the king's position is due to two things, viz. greatness of wealth and abundance of men. उत्साह—has four divisions, viz. the well-known four *Uṇāyas* (साम &c.); or exertion of mind, speech, body and action. द्विसप्ततिप्रकृतिः—द्विसप्ततिः प्रकृतयो यथा—(1) मध्यमः (2) विजिगीषुः (3) उदासीनः शत्रुः; एता मूलप्रकृतयः । (1) मित्रं (2) अरिमित्रं (3) मित्रमित्रम् (4) अरिमित्रमित्रम्; एता विजिगीषोः पुरोवर्तिन्यः शास्त्राप्रकृतयः । अथ चतस्रः शास्त्राप्रकृतयः पुनराः यथा—(1) पार्ष्णिप्राहः (2) आक्रन्दः (3) पार्ष्णिप्राहासारः (4) आक्रन्दासारः । एवमष्टौ शास्त्राप्रकृतयः । पञ्चदश-प्रकृतयो यथा—(1) अमात्यः (2) राष्ट्रं (3) दुर्गं (4) कोषः (5) दण्डः । एताः श्लोकद्वादशप्रकृतीनामेकैकस्याः भवन्ति । अत एताः (12 × 5) बाह्विः संपद्यन्ते ।

ताश्च द्वादशभिर्वृत्तपङ्क्तिभिर्मिलिता द्विसप्ततिर्मवन्ति । (T. Kaviratna). Cf. also मोला द्वादश चैवेता अमास्याद्यास्तथा च याः । सप्ततिद्वयधिकारयोषां सर्वं प्रकृतिमण्डलम् ॥ Kām. N. XII. 25. शक्तिसिद्धिः—power and success are the flowers and fruits respectively. नेतुः—The man at the head of political affairs; the king or the prime minister. For a similar fig. comp. Mudr. V. 1; and सखे त्वज्जीति-पादस्य पुष्पपुद्गलम् । Mālav. I.; and for a similar description cf. अष्टशास्त्रं चतुर्मुखं षष्टिपत्रं द्वयं स्थितम् । षट्पुष्पं त्रिफलं द्रुक्षं यो जानाति स नीतिवित् ॥ Kām. N. VIII. 42. अनेकाधिकारः—on account of its dependence on various parts or elements. दुरुपजीव्यः—difficult to be turned to advantage, hard to be made to yield fruit. कोसलाः—being a native of Kosala. अवमरुः—because he (Mitravarmā) despised his counsel.

P. 209. रहस्यशिक्षयम्—The instruction given here is in close conformity with Ohāṇakya's precepts in Kauṭī. Prak. VI. under the heading उपधाभिः "शौचाशौचज्ञानममास्यानाम्. मायापुरुषः—a deceitful person, a rogue. भुजङ्गः—a snake, a gallant; both the senses are here intended. प्रभुतः—presents, bribes. अतिविलम्बः—When he was in a pleased mood; or, when I got an opportunity owing to the confidence engendered or gained. स्वदुर्पदिष्टेन नयेन—according to your direction or instruction. शुद्धिदर्शनं—giving evidence of the nobility or purity of. अनुग्रहाद्वै—tender with, disposed to favour. अभ्यभित्रीय—valiant enough to overpower his enemies. The affixes छ, यत् or ख (ईन as here) are added to अभि in the sense of 'boldly facing an enemy,' by Pāṇ. V. 2. 17; see com.; so अभ्यभित्रीय and अभ्यमिदय also. संनिपासितः—collected together. विषविल्वद्रुमः—a poisonous tree; i. e. a destroyer of. प्रह्वः—submissive. नीतिज्ञमन्य—आत्मानं नीतिज्ञं मन्यतेऽसी. उपधाभिर्विशोध्य—having tested his sincerity by various special trials. उपधीयते शुद्धिज्ञानमत्र इत्युपधा; from धा+अ (अङ्) by आतश्चोपसर्गे Pāṇ. III. 3. 106. It means a trial by making a man swerve from Dharma, Kāma, and Artha. It is said to be of four kinds, viz. (1) loyalty, (2) disinterestedness, (3) continence, and (4) courage. Brāhmaṇas and ministers should be so tested. Cf. धर्मोपधाभिर्विशोध्य सर्वाभिः सचिवाप्तुनः । (शोधयेत्) Kālikā.—P. It is different from उपधि and उपधि, also derived from धा. मत्तिसहायः—an accomplice in counsel or statecraft. शौचः—uprightness, honesty. विविधव्यजनान्—moving about under various disguises. गृहपुरुषः—a spy, a secret

agent. लुब्धसमृद्ध—covetous misers. अस्तुत्सिक्त—very proud. अधिधेयमाय—mostly turbulent. अनिन्द्यापदम्—proclaiming as commendable.

P. 210. उद्गावयन्—creating a taste or liking for. उपधि—a wily trick, a stratagem. अभिसमाहरनर्यान्—I collected the revenue. अर्थमूल—proceeding from wealth. दण्ड—stands for दण्डनीति; 'the commencement of all undertakings based on policy.' तत्र दोषस्वात्—weakness in that, i. e. अर्थ (having a good treasury). योग—stratagems, political measures (to gain one's ends).

आज्ञया—when I give the command. राज्यद्वितय—see com. नीत्याविष्ट—guided by policy, always acting in accordance with the rules of policy. च—in addition to that.

P. 211. क्षलचित्त—vacillating, uncertain. मोलाः प्रकृतयः—hereditary subjects, i. e. the people of the Vidarbha country. भावर्जन—bestowal, conferring. उपजज्ञाः—overtures were thus made to them. वाच्यमेव—we are bound to express it. विप्रुत—renowned. जन्वद्वितिः—engaged in actual warfare; i. e. does not take arms against. स वीतयवः &c.—The sense is somewhat obscure. He who comes over to his side stands out of the reach of danger and obtaining great fortune &c. सर्वेभ्यो वार्तम्—the message has been communicated to you all. निजमना इव &c.—appear to have their hearts estranged from me (i. e. their affection alienated from me). क्षमामवलम्ब—remaining passive or apathetic. उत्पन्नोपजायं—in whom seeds of dissension have been sown. मद्बोधकं—my purpose or resolution to fight.

P. 212. क्षणं—only for a moment; i. e. cannot long hold out. अन्वायेन—goes with परराज्यक्रमण. परराज्य—an unjust or unprovoked expedition is condemned by Hindu writers on politics. पुरोऽभवत्—faced the army. आलेख्यलिखितेव—like painted figures. संग्रह—duel. शिक्षाविशेष—superior skill. अतः परं—after this, i. e. the fall of the king. स्वस्ववृत्ति—their respective incomes. तद्बलवर्तिनः समभवन्—Lit. delivered themselves into his power; acknowledged him as their sovereign. राजसूनुसात्—entirely into his possession. अनेह—time.

* P. 213. लक्ष्य—marked by. राज्यपूः—This ought to be राज्यपुरा; see P&P. V. 4. 74. सचिवरत्न—excellent minister.

आसङ्ग—importunity. उत्कलाधि०—Utkala, the modern Orissa lay to the South of Tāmralipta and extended to the river Kapiśā. यावत्प्रधानोपक्रमं &c.—As soon as I proposed to go आकारित—called. पाटलिपुरे बौवराज्यं &c.—The reader will remember that Somadatta was asked by Rājavāhana to convey his wife to his capital (i. e. Pāṭali, see p. 30, where we should have read पाटली नामा तस्य &c.), the town of Vīraketu, where he was reigning as Yuvarāja. See p. 42. सप्रमोदसंवलितः—सप्रमोदाश्च ताः संवलिताश्च mixed, and full of joy. उत्कलित्व—having opened. आसास्व—after expressing his blessings.

P. 214. स्कन्धावार—army; *lit.* what consists of divisions. उदन्वत्—the sea. निश्चयं—our resolution to die. विज्ञान—superhuman knowledge. भाग्योदयात्—their fortune smiling upon them. षोडशाब्दान्ते—This, if the correct reading, must be taken to mean 'at the close of their sixteenth year.' In this case we shall have to suppose that the princes started on their tour of conquest at the beginning of their sixteenth year. It is clear, however, from some statements in the preceding narratives, that the princes started on their mission after their attainment of youth, i. e. at the close of the 16th year. So it will be better to read अष्टान्ते, as we cannot reasonably suppose the Kumārās to have been for sixteen years in search of Rājavāhana. अवधि—The limit of time fixed by the ascetic, viz. 16 years. वसवृत्ति—the doings of the princes. आकारणाय—to call you.

P. 215. पानीवमपि &c.—*Cf.* the similar message of Tārāpīḍa to Ohandrapīḍa at Kād. p. 328. संमर्थतर—very able. मानसारः—There seems to be some confusion here. Not Mānasāra, but Darpasāra was the reigning monarch then. But, as he was away, Mānasāra might be supposed to have taken up the reins of the government of Ujjayinī after the assassination at Ohampā of Ohandavarman, Darpasāra's regent. निहतम्—This seems to be strange; for it was Mānasāra who had prevented Ohandavarmā from putting Rāja. to immediate death; so this ought to be omitted. वस्त्रागमनात्—upto their return from their starting on that expedition. अतिदुर्घट—extremely marvellous.

P. 216. अवकाशस्त०—notice the comp. ending; a final अ is added to वाक्कनस् by Pāṇ. V. 4. 77. वानप्रस्थाश्रमं—The third stage of life in which a Dvija ought to stay in a forest living as a hermit; see Ya'jñavalkya quoted in the com.; cf. also Manu.

VI. 3. आत्मसाधन—final emancipation by contemplation.
 जयोदितं—According to the success or rise (उद्+इत्) attained
 by each. Or—according to your direction (उदित p. p. of उद्).
 कायकेशं विना—without having to suffer bodily hardships or
 mortification. परिजनः—his vassals, the other Kumâras.

Appendices.

No. I.

BOMBAY UNIVERSITY EXAMINATION QUESTIONS.

(N. B.—Questions repeated are omitted).

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I. Write a short account, in Sanskrit, of the manner in which Rājavāhana's nine companions came under the care of his father, as related in the Pūrvapīṭhikā. II. (a) Translate into idiomatic English :—इतः किल जनाद्गवतः..... श्रेयसेऽप्यनलपाय कल्पते । pp. 69-70. (b) Who speaks these words, under what circumstances, and with what intention? (c) With what intention has the poet put in this whole scene, and especially this speech? III. (a) Translate into English :—अन्यदा तु वियति व्यवदायमान-चन्द्रिके...सरोषरमसमपासरत् । p. 60. (b) Who speaks these words and who is the actor in the scene described? (c) Explain grammatically व्यवदायमान, give the etymology of वियत्, and state the rules regarding the formation of the feminine अमृत-स्यन्दिनी and मृत्तगात्री. Parse the word पाण्डुलोहमृद्धलात्मना.

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I. Correct any mistakes that may occur in the text or the translation, here given, of the following passages :—(a) वेणुयष्टि-मादाय तच्छायितया परिखायां स्थापितया च प्राकारमन्यलङ्घयम् । (b) तया विना न भोक्ष्य इति रुदन्येव स्थास्यति । (c) वार्द्धकेचित्तमन्यमाश्रमे संक्रमेयं यदि देवः साधु मन्यते । (d) न च शक्यामि राजसूनुस्त्विमुष्मिन्त्रयायमाचरितुम् । —‘I shall not be able to follow a proper conduct or loyalty to him (although he be) a friend.’ (e) अतिष्ठच्च सा सद्य एव मे हृदयं न मयाऽन्येन चान्तराले दृष्टा—‘although seen by me, a different person, and at a distance, she took her place immediately in my heart.’ (One MS. reads न मयाऽन्येन वाऽन्तराले दृष्टा). (f) प्रावर्तत संपहारः पराज-यिषत यवनाः । (g) तमप्यार्द्राशयः स्कन्धेनोद्धृत्य गहनीदेशे चिरमवसत् । (h) पुष्टं च तं सा धूमिनी रिरंसयोपातिष्ठत् । (i) अथ परमस्ययाह्वतेषु दारेषु यादृच्छिकीं संपत्तिमनभिसमीक्ष्य ; ‘not approving of accidental coming together in wives taken upon faith in others.’ (j) दृत्वा पटवन्धनं सा भया-ऽपदेशादपरं चापनीयं क्षुरं.....दिनानि निन्ये । (k) तेन जामाता कृतोऽस्मि हामलिप्तेश्वरेण तत्पुत्रा मदनुजीविजातः । (l) संनताङ्ग्या संगत्यारंसिषि । (m) निजनिर्केतने न्यशिश्रयम् । (n) चन्द्रशेखरनरकशासनविदेशानाम् । ‘of Śiva, Yama, Brahma, &c.’ (o) चाणक्योपदिष्टानाहरणोपायान्सहस्र-चाम्भुजयेते विकल्पवितारः । (p) यावता च नयेन विना लोकयात्रा स

लोकत एव सिद्धो न तत्र शास्त्रेणार्थः—'As long as the course of the world (proceeds) without policy, the object (of government) seems to be accomplished, through the world (by ordinary means; or of its own nature or spontaneously), not by the Śāstras.' Two MSS. read: नयेन विना न याति लोक-यात्रा । (*q*) तदा च मृगयुवेषता (other ed. मृगयुवेष)—मृगबाहुल्यवर्णन—नाद्रिद्रोणीः प्रवेश्य । (*r*) प्रचण्डवर्मा मञ्जुवादिनी विलिप्सुरभ्येति । (Only the corrections of the words which are actually wrong are required. The whole passages need not be repeated, nor need reasons be assigned for the corrections). II. Translate into English:—छूतेऽपि द्रव्यराशेस्तुणवस्यागा.....मभ्युपायरचनया बुद्धिबाधोः पाठवम् । pp. 196-197. III. Give the etymology of अपरय, अमाम्य, कन्या, क्षण, तुरङ्ग, तूष्णीम्, दुहितु, नैर्ऋत, भुज, वासर.

1876

1. Translate into English:—either (*a*) या वसन्तसहायेन समुत्सुकतया रतेः...निर्मितेव राज । pp. 44-45, or (*b*) उदारकस्तु तदादाय सलज्जं च...को बाऽहं यथा स्वमाज्ञापयसीति । pp. 79-80. II. Correct the mistakes against grammar in the following passages:—(only the corrections should be given). (*a*) ततः स रत्नाकरमेखलामनन्यशासनां शासन्नपत्यतया नारायणमर्चयामास । (*b*) कदाचिदेकेन तापसेन सुकुमारं कुमारं राज्ञे समर्प्योवाच । (*c*) बालकं पल्लवकवलमिवादति गजपतौ कण्डीरवो महाग्रहणं न्यपतत् । (*d*) बालकं निजोत्सङ्गतले निधाय स्थविरामेकां रुदन्तीं विलोक्यावोचिषम् । (*e*) नदीवेगेनोत्थमाना केनचित्तरुलगेन कालभोगिनाऽहमवांशः । (*f*) कमप्याकां डमासाद्य विशम्भमिधुरान्दोलिकारूढं पुरुषमपश्यत् । (*g*) कार्पण्यविवर्णवदनां महदाशापूर्णमानसोऽवोचद्वज्रम् । (*h*) कुमारः सखरमानेतव्यां मया मे चेदेनां स्मरणीयां गतिं नयिष्यति मीनकेतनः । (*i*) उन्नततरुफलमलभ्य स्वदुरःस्थलालिङ्गनसौख्यं स्मराम्भतया लिप्सुः । (*j*) शयेयं भावितविषयगविक्रियस्त्वयाऽयमी वाच्याः । III. (*a*) Judging from the whole style of the *Das'akumāracharita*, do you think that the mistakes enumerated under question II. should be corrected? (*b*) Have you found in the the *Das'akum.* any words derived from the Greek or Latin? (*c*) Explain the meaning of the following words or phrases:—अपहार, काफली, घुणाक्षरन्यायेन, नैष्ठिक, श्रोवसीय, क्षणक, निर्गन्धिक, ऐकागारिक.

1877

I. Translate:—(*a*) लीलाशिथिलं च धूमौ सुकवती । मन्दोन्धितं च &c.....मध्यविलम्बितलये हुतलये च.....पूर्णपद्मदर्शयत् । p. 151.

(b) ततस्तस्य शाल्योदनस्य.....दध्ना च विज्ञातकावचुर्गितेन.....इवाचत
च पानीयम् । pp. 162, 163. II. (a) Explain the following words
and expressions:—पूर्वेषुकामचर, उपधाय वामभुजम्, लक्षसुप्तः, अलसतान्त
तारकेण युगिलेन चक्षुषोः, परिवादिनीद्वितीयः, सृजावन्तः, निश्रेष्ठिका,
चनदशितरागविभ्रमा विमुल्लतामिव विहम्बयन्ती, उदञ्चनम्, भस्मनि द्रुतम्.
(b) Explain the grammar of the following, and state if any
of the forms are incorrect, giving the corresponding correct
ones:—देमातुरः, उपास्थायिणि, मधुवर्षमवर्षत्, पर्वश्रुः, अभवत्,
अभ्यधीये, अदत्त.

1897

1. State the meaning in which the following words are
used in the Das'akumāracharita:—चारक, गम्य, मातुका, पटमास,
नीवी, कारणा, औशीर, सुषीम. II. Translate into English:—
एष हि गणिकामातुराधिकारो.....०नर्थसंशयान्विचार्य सूयोद्धयः संयोजनमिति ।
pp. 66-68. III. Write a brief account of the state of society
mirrored in the Das'akumāracharita as regards (1) morality,
and (2) education.

1898

1. Translate into English:—एवं गते मन्त्रिणि राजनि च दोषगुणा
स्वेच्छया विपरिवर्तयतां मतं गुरुपदेशमिवादरेणानुवर्तमाने तच्छीलानुसारिण्यः
प्रकृतयो विशृङ्खलमसेवन्त व्यसनानि । सर्वश्च स्वसमानदोषतया न कस्यचिच्छि-
द्रान्वेषणायायतिष्ठ । समानमर्तुपकृतयस्तन्वाभ्यक्षाः स्वानि स्वानि कर्मफलान्य-
भक्षयन् । ततः क्रमादायद्वाराणि विशीर्णानि । व्ययमुत्तानि विटविधेयतया विभो-
रहरहर्षवर्धन्त । सर्वेऽपि स्वं स्वमाचारमस्यचारिणुः । अहन्यन्त दुर्बला बलिभिः ।
अपहृतपरिहृतयः प्रहताः पातकपथाः । दण्डध्यायथाप्रणीतो मयक्रोधावजनयत् ।
विमानिताश्च मानेनादहन्त । तेषु तेषु चाकृत्येषु प्राप्तस्पर्शोपजापाः । तदा च विष-
मुखीभिः क्षुरिकाभिः कण्टकोद्धरणैर्भुगदेहापराद्धैर्नामिषुमोक्षणैर्गृहोत्पादितव्यलीके-
भ्योऽपियाणि प्रकाशं लब्ध्वा साक्षिषु तद्विरुद्धाभ्याकीर्तिगुप्तिहेतुभिः पराक्रमेणै-
वाभ्युपायेः प्रक्षपितप्रवीरमवन्तिवर्मकटकं परानियुक्तं जर्जरमकुर्वन् । (Cf.
pp. 196-200). II. Sketch briefly the account of Pramati.
III. Give the meanings of करण, उपहस्तिका, अमित्र, महु, नरेन्द्र,
कृतान्त and भुजिष्या.

1920 (Inter. Arts)

I. Translate and explain with reference to the context:—
(a) सा तल्लयनाभिमुखेः किञ्चिदाकृष्टितेः &c....शरव्यायमाणमानसो बभूव ।
p. 45; (b) सखि चन्द्रमसं वडवानलात् &c....कमलं विहग्यते । pp. 48-49;
(c) सखि छायावत् &c....आलबालमभूत् । p. 50; (d) दृष्टमिदानीमौदार्यस्य...
...प्रज्ञाधिक्षेपः । p. 80. II. Point out the resemblances between.

the *Myichohhakaṣika* and the *Da'sakumāracharita*. Or, compare the *Pūrvapīṭhikā* and the first and the second *Uchohhvāsas* of the *Das'ak.* in respect of style. III. (a) To what parts of your prose text are the terms *Pu'rvapīṭhika'* and *Das'akumāracharita* applied, and are they properly applied? (b) What do you know of the following from your text:—(1) *Madanamahotsava*; (2) *Gambling houses*; (3) *The night-guards of a town*?

No. II.
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